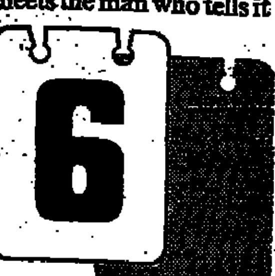
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A spectator was killed by an ejector seat when an RAF Harrier jet crashed at an air display near Aschaffenburg, West Germany. The pilot was injured.

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Mr Cyril Lord, who became a millionaire in the textile industry before he was 50 using novel marketing techniques has died at his home in Barbados, aged 72 Obituary, page 18

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A news blackout was imposed in Punjab as troops sent in by Mrs Indira Gandhi took up positions around the Sikh Golden Temple in Amritsar

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Bolivia said it would not send a team to the summer Olympics because of its difficult economic situation.

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Prost wins

Alain Prost, driving a Marlboro McLaren-Tag, won the Monaco Grand Prix in torrential rain. Only 31 of the scheduled 77 laps were completed.

Unions angry over government's strike vote scheme

By Paul Routledge and David Felton

Government plans to tighten the law on strike ballots because of the miners' strike provoked fierce political and trade union protests yesterday.

Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Employment, intends to amend the Trade Union Bill, now in the closing stages of its parliamentary passage, so that strikes will retain immunity from civil action only if they have prior approval in a secret ballot of union members.

His disclosure at a conference of Conservative trade unionists in Birmingham on Saturday brought sharp reaction from the Opposition, from the unions, and from the Industriad Society, a non-partisan body representing both sides of industry.

Mr William Keys, leader of the printing union Sogat '82 and chairman of the TUC's employment policy and organization committee, said: "The Government is really putting an impossible situation of trade unionists. I can see this leading to more wildcat strikes.

"If the proposal went ahead my union would just not ballot in any dispute. That way all strikes would be unofficial.

Mr John Smith, Labour's employment spokesman, described the Government's plan as a piece of political chicanery that would encourage wildcat strikes.

The amendment was being presented as "some kind of answer to by the Government to the problems posed by the miner's strike, but it is not. It just shows that the existing legislation has had no bite whatsoever."

He was speaking at the conference in Torquay of the General, Municipal, Boilermakers, and Allied Trades Union whose leaders called last night for the TUC to stand by to coordinate assistance for the miners from the rest of the trade union movement.

The union's executive decided that if the present peace initiative between the mineworkers' union and the coal board founders they would press for organized support for miners and their families through the TUC, which so far has been on the sidelines of the strike.

Mr David Basnett, general secretary of the union, and Mr Smith were dismissive of the impact of the proposed amendment on pre-strike ballots. Mr Smith said the change would take away legal protection from official strikes but hand it to unofficial ones.

The Govt's attitude has been influenced by events in the miners' strike. Some areas of the National Union of Mineworkers had ballots which went against joining the strike, but the ment were persuaded to come out by their workmates or by flying pickets.

Mr King said: "I dont think anybody actually dreamt that somebody would embark on industrial action without having the support of their members".

His department is looking at possible amendments to the Bill which would confine immunity from legal action for damages to those strikes that had been endorsed by a majority of union members.

"We think people have a right to be consulted. The only issue here is that there is, under the las, a legal protection conferred on people. That's fair enough, provided it is genuinely what the majority of people want to do," he said.

Mr King has not yet decided on the exact form of the amendment to his Bill, but it will insert a requirement that "a majority" shall have voted for a strike if it is to retain immunity. It is not clear at this stage whether it will be a majority to those voting, or of those entitled to vote.

● Mr Jimmy Millar, NUM branch secretary at Markham colliery in the militant Doncaster coalfield, called yesterday for an end to the mass picketing of the Orgreave coking plant, saying that such tactics were a waste of time and manpower.



The US President raising a glass of ale yesterday in the Ronald Reagan Lounge of O'Farrell's bar, Ballyporeen.

Reagan returns to his roots in a stage-set Irish village

From Richard Ford, Ballyporeen

Few American presidents, even former actors, can have had the set and props Ireland has provided for Ronald Reagan in this his reelection year.

While contenders for the Democratic Party's nomination continue to slug it out on the campaign trail, Mr Reagan has used his Irish visit to project a softer image of a man wanting peace and dialogue with the Russians.

And, of course, this "great-grandson of Ireland" is aware of the rich harvest of 40 million Irish American votes which a sentimental journey to his roots might attract.

As he told the people of Ballyporeen yesterday, now that he knew from whence he came "this has given my soul a new contentment; and it is a joyous feeling; it is like coming home after a long journey."

President Reagan compared the Irish village from which his great-grandfather emigrated during the potato famine with his own birthplace in Tampico, Illinois. And he told a delighted and cheering crowd: "I can't think of a place on this planet I would rather claim as my roots more than Ballyporeen, county Tipperary."

It was a clever speech, appealing to Irish listeners and to the electorate back home. In praising the Irish contribution to the building of America, the President said that he had come from a poor family, adding that his first job, at 14, had been as a labourer.

From the rainbow which greeted him at Shannon airport, to the ivy-clad historic building of University College, Galway, and finally to Ballyporeen, Mr Reagan and his wife, Nancy, have been surrounded by enormous security.

Their visit has lacked the spontaneity and outbursts of genuine affection which the Irish heaped on John Kennedy and Pope John Paul II. It has been like a giant security operation in which the President and his wife have had occasional walk-on parts.

As one Irish government official put it: "Kennedy came before the age of assassinations really began. It can't really be any other way and perhaps the Irish prefer to watch it on television."

The crowds greeting Mr Reagan have been small. Yesterday, the highlight of the three-day visit, there were estimaed to be between 2,000 and 3,000 spectators, who were outnumbered by blanket security provided by 1,500 police and additional army and secret service men.

Eight days ago 30,000 people poured into Ballyporeen to see the preparations. One hot dog trader said yesterday: "I should have gone to Limerick for the hurling match. There's a bigger crowd."

It did not worry the President, or the people who braved squally showers, waiting from as early as 6.30 am in a village freshly painted and decorated with the Irish tricolour and the Stars and Stripes.

The helicopter bringing the Reagans from the womb-like luxury of Ashford Castle, co Mayo, swept low over Ballyporeen giving the President an opportunity to see the burial ground of his forebears.

The couple met the parish priest, who showed them the register recording Mr Reagan's great-grandfather Michael's baptism in 1829 and then crossed the street for a short church service.

Surrounded by at least 50 secret servicemen, they walked a few hundred yards to the village square, passing the new antique business and chip shop and shaking hands with flag-waving villagers.

Mr Reagan unveiled a plaque opening the Ronald Reagan Centre before going inside to the bar which its owner, Mr John O'Farrell, renamed the Ronald Reagan Lounge within hours of learning that Debretts had traced his roots to co Tipperary.

The President calls it his "very own saloon" and sampled a Smithwick's beer, while his wife had an Irish liqueur and met the family's latest addition, a baby girl named Catherine Nancy.

How hero of D-Day ruse was found

By Patricia Clough

Mr Nigel West, the writer and espionage expert, told yesterday how he tracked down Garbo, the double agent who played a key role in deceiving the Germans about the Normandy landings and brought him to London.

Señor Juan Pujol Garcia, now aged 72, whose name had been kept secret and who had been believed dead for the past 40 years, was found by Mr West living in South America.

His six-year search began with a lunch with Professor Anthony Blunt, later exposed as a Soviet double agent, and others in a restaurant in Jermyn Street, London. Blunt recalled Garbo's surname but not his first name. Later a contact in MI6 remembered that Garbo had come from Barcelona. There were 200 Pujol Garcias in the Barcelona telephone directory and Mr West had them all rung up.

"One person was very evasive on the phone. It was Garbo's nephew who had not seen him for 20 years. I flew to Spain three weeks ago and after much persuasion was given a 10-year-old post office box number in South America."

He arranged for a contact to approach Garbo with three questions which would identify him. All the answers were positive and Mr West flew out to meet him.

Since the war Garbo has kept silent about his wartime activities in Operation Fortitude which hoodwinked the Germans into keeping large parts of their forces out of the Normandy battle. Even now when his former enemies are either old or dead the fear of assassination by the Nazis persists and he has kept his activities secret even from his family and does not wish his new country to be made public.

Mr West said: "All this has been a tremendous shock for him. He was very nervous at first. He did not allow me to photograph him. Of course he had to explain everything to his (second) wife and son and daughter-in-law. They were astonished.

Garbo, whom he describes as small, very switched-on, with a highly-developed sense of humour, ran a stationery shop until he retired.

He spent yesterday looking for the former safe house in Hendon, north London, where he had been based, but with no luck. Today he will be travelling to the Thames Valley to look for the house to which he moved when bombing made the Hendon area risky.

The main purpose of his trip to London, Mr West said, was a private audience with the Duke of Edinburgh at Buckingham Palace. During the war he was appointed MBE but for security reasons there was no ceremony and he was simply presented with the award at a lunch with his MI5 collaborators.

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Iraq hits Turkish tanker in Gulf

From Robert Fisk, Bahrain

Ignoring the UN Security Council's resolution on the Gulf War, or perhaps taking advantage of it, Iraq launced another air attack on oil tankers off Kharg Island yesterday.

A Turkish ship was set on fire and its crew forced to take to lifeboats as the flames spread through the superstructure. The Iraqis also claimed they had hit a second vessel in the area.

Three of the sailors on board the Buyuk Hun, which was in ballast en route to the Iranian oil terminal to pick up crude oil for Turkey, were reported last night to be missing.

[The Iranian news agency later said that all crew members had been picked up safely by Iranian rescue teams, AP reports.)

The first Mayday distress signals from the burning 153,000-ton tanker were picked up by Bahrain radio at 7.05 yesterday morning, exactly five minutes after Radio Bagdad had interrupted its regular morning transmission to announce "effective" attacks against two large naval targets sailing in convoy 50 miles south of Kharg Island.

All weekend the Arab Gulf States had been trumpeting the Security Council resolution condemning attacks on neutral Gulf shipping as a triumph for common sense and the Arab cause, even though the UN did not specifically name Iran as the aggressor.

The Gulf Cooperation Council had deliberately not mentioned air attacks by Iraqui planes against oil tankers near Kharg Island, and the Iranians thus angrily denounced the Security Council's resolution yesterday.

Iraq's morning attack on the convoy – which according to the Gulf states was not covered by the UN's resolution – had by last night failed to elicit any response from the Iranians.

Two US warships are now accompanying oil tankers up the Gulf as far as the Aramco, refinery, partly owned by American oil companies, at the Saudi port of Ras Tanurah.

That Iran might be tempted to retaliate once more against Saudi- or Kuwaiti-bound ships was indicated in a statement from the Iranian Foreign Ministry yesterday, which castigated the Security Council for its resolution on the Gulf.

"Security of the Persian Gulf is indivisible", a spokesman said, "and partial security is unacceptable. If export of Iran's oil through the Gulf is prevented, then this will lead to all oil exports from the Gulf being disrupted."

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One dead, 18 missing in sail race

Ships and aircraft were combing heavy seas yesterday 86 miles north-east of Bermuda for missing crew members of the British-registered sail ship Marques. Last night one person was dead, 18 people were missing and nine had been rescued.

The 67-year-old brigantine, owned by the China Clipper Society, was sinking in high winds and seas of 8ft to 12ft. Seven Britons, one a journalist, were among the crew, which also included Americans, West Indians and a Canadian.

The 117ft ship, skippered by an American, Mr Stuart Finlay, set sail from Bermuda on Saturday in bad weather. It was one of 42 vessels taking part in the Bermuda to Halifax leg of the 1984 Tall Ships race.

The Marques has starred in television programmes such as *The Onedin Line.*

The Marques crossing the Bermuda starting line.

Six-month drill to guard summit

By Stewart Tendler

An Army firing range at Purfleet on the Thames Estuary has been echoing to the chatter of machine gun fire as police firearms experts and Special Branch officers have been preparing for the start today of one of the largest, most intricate security operations Scotland Yard has mounted.

When President Reagan's aircraft lands at Heathrow this afternoom the fruits of more than six months' planning will take shape culminating in the ecomomic summit later in the week. The Yard will be responsible for the safety of two heads of state, five heads of government, the presdent of the EEC and 16 ministers.

Last week some of the officers who will provide armed bodyguards for the dignitaries completed a course in the controversial Heckler and Koch MP5 compact sub-machine guns. The course on the Yard's indoor 50 metre range in Essex came after sessions outdoors on the Army range firing at distances of 100 and 150 metres.

Officers using the weapons must have passed a test which involves stripping and re-assembling the guns, sprinting to a firing position and opening fire on a target within a set time. The test was introduced to cover weapons jamming in an emergency.

Should such a moment occur it will not be for lack of precautions. Police leave among the 27,000 London officers has been cancelled this week. The Yard will not say how large a force it is deploying but the papal visit in 1981 involved more than 6,000 officers each day, while President Reagan's visit the same year meant the use of anything between 2,200 and 4,500 a day.

The Yard will be using the

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Sakharov still alive say Moscow diplomats

From Richard Owen, Moscow

There was still no word yesterday from official or unofficial sources in Moscow on the fate of Dr Andrei Sakharov, who was rumoured to be dead at the weekend after reports originating in Italy. Diplomats said, however, that they understood Dr Sakharov, the physicist and Nobel Peace Prize winner, was still alive.

An Italian woman journalist said on Sunday that she had talked by telephone to Mrs Elena Bonner, Dr Sakharov's wife, who had said her husband was "no longer with us." Mrs Bonner reportedly telephoned from "somewhere in Russia," without giving a location, and spoke in Russian.

The report was regarded sceptically in Moscow, since there has been no telephone contact with Mrs Bonner by Westerners since the beginning of May, when she was confined by the authorities to the closed town of Gorky. Dr Sakharov was exiled to Gorky in 1980.

Sources said the couple were still in Gorky, although there has been no sign of life at their flat for some weeks.

Dr Sakharov, who is 63, was removed from his flat in Gorky to an unknown destination on May 7, five days after beginning a hunger strike. Mrs Bonner later joined the hunger strike and was also removed from their home.

Tass said last Wednesday that Dr Sakharov "feels well, takes regular meals and lives an active way of life". Reports of his death which circulated at the weekend said Dr Sakharov had died on Thursday at Gorky city hospital.

Observers said it was unlikely Mrs Bonner could have telephoned to Italy without the knowledge of the authorities. There is no direct dialling.

The Sakharovs have been cut off from the world for more than a month, although relatives of the couple in Moscow and the West have occasionally received news of them.

Wrongly filed Orwell scripts found at BBC

More than sixty radio scripts and letters by George Orwell, peviously thought lost, have been found at the BBC Written Archive at Caversham Park, near Reading. They vanished 40 years ago because of BBC filing errors.

The errors were discovered by Mr William West, an Orwell enthusiast. He found that Orwell's scripts as talks assistant for the Indian Service had been incorrectly filed. Letters from Orwell had been filed under the name of the recipient.

Mr West is preparing a book, *Orwell: the War Broadcasts.*

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BR on the track for better Sunday services

By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

British Rail has begun a study aimed at improving Sunday services, now heavily disrupted by engineering works.

Sunday travellers suffer delays of up to three hours because of long diversions when track is being repaired.

Others have to leave the train and travel by coach if there is no alternative line to the one under repair.

Some people regard British Rail as a six-day railway and avoid Sunday travel. However, the growing army of leisure travellers suffers serious inconvenience, the rail watchdog body said yesterday.

"Travel by rail on a Sunday is often intolerable, withdelays of two to three hours, overcrowded trains and lack of refreshment facilities", Mr Len Dumelow, secretary of the Central Transport Consultative Committee, said.

"Sunday services are bad at all times but especially at summer and Bank holiday weekends when large numbers of people are inconvenienced.

"Many people avoid Sunday travel at all costs because the service is so bad, but some must travel – students going home for the weekend and elderly people visiting relatives and friends.

"We regard the sitiation as beyond what is acceptable and welcome the study being carried out by BR."

The study will consider how weekend track work by engineers can be reduced or spread to other times.

Already the time needed has been reduced by new systems, such as continuous welded rail and concrete sleepers, which together require only about a tenth of the maintenance needed by the old bolted rail and timber sleepers.

However, at the same time, the total amount of track has been cut by closures, so fewer alternative routes are available when track is out of operation.

Weekend passenger traffic, in the absence of business travellers, is only 30 to 40 per cent of that during the week, and since railways started, Saturday night and Sunday have, therefore, been regarded as the obvious time to re-lay and repair lines and rebuild bridges.

With growing leisure travel, however, Sunday traffic is increasingly important to the railway's business and the study could be financially significant to British Rail as well as its customers.

Whitehall revolt mounts over 4.5%

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

The Government faces a fresh revolt on the public sector pay front from the three biggest Civil Service unions, whose leaders meet today to reject a 4.5 per cent offer.

The executives of the Civil and Public Services Association (CPSA) the Insitition of Professional Civil Servants (IPCS) and the Society of Civil and Public Servants (SCPS) are being recommended by their negotiators to throw out the proposed settlement.

Their next step will be to order a "consultation exercise" in government offices to win rank and file approval of rejection, and union leaders were last night confident of gaining the support of their members.

Mr Campbell Christie, deputy general secretary of the SCPS, said: "The cumulative effect of three years of settlements below the rate of inflation is beginning to take its toll. People are very unhappy."

The unions are not all of one mind on what to do with a rank-and-file vote against the offer. The moderates, including the IPCS, the Inland Revenue Staff Federation and the "mandarins' union", the First Division Association, are understood to favour pressure on the Cabinet to take the pay dispute to arbitration, while the more militant CPSA and SCPS are expected to back some form of disruptive action short of a strike.

The Government has made clear its disinclination to go to arbitration, and appears anxious to hold the line at 4.5 per cent in public service wage settlements. The teachers are also stuck on that figure, as is the post office.

Civil servants are claming 7 per cent or £7 a week, whichever is the greater, in an attempt to improve the position of the lower-paid. But the Government has proposed 5 per cent rises for staff at the top of their salary scales and 4 per cent lower down the scales. That arrangement would benefit 70 per cent of staff who are already at the top ot their scale.

The Treasury has also offered a 4 per cent increase in London weighting payments, but payable from October 1 rather than the April 1 settlement date which applies to wage rates for the 530,000 white-collar civil servants covered by the negotiations.

The consultation exercise will involve workplace meetings at which a vote is taken on the offer. The results will be collated nationally to provide an overall picture of members' views before the unions seek further negotiations, perhaps with ministers rather then officials.

Post Office suspends some services as mail delays get worse

By Staff Reporters

The Post Office announced yesterday that it was suspending its Datapost and Royal Mail Special Delivery services because widespread industrial action over pay had made it impossible to keep deliveries to time.

The decision was taken as the national executive of the Union of Commercial Workers prepared for a meeting tomorrow at which it is expected to order 150,000 of its members to carry out last week's threat to bring "chaos" to postal and sorting offices.

Serious postal delays, especially to and from London, are already being caused by unofficial industrial action and many post boxes in London have been sealed.

Private post companies are poised to make a killing. More than 14 of central London's Yellow Pages alone are devoted to collection and delivery or courier services.

The 35-member executive of the union will be presented tomorrow with a range of options by its general secretary, Mr Alan Tuffin, for engaging in a full-scale dispute with the Post Office Corporation unless a 4.5 per cent pay offer is improved to match the rate of inflation.

The measures will include one-day strikes, a ban on overtime and "guerrilla" strikes against certain key services such as Girobank. The campaign of industrial action will start almost immediately if the corporation does not reopen negotiations.

Mr Tuffin said last night: "I shall for as long as possible not involved the membership in a total stoppage, but it might come to that quite quickly. If the Post Office start to take action by sending people home or locking them out it will quickly escalate."

The union has no plans to ballot its membership on the disruption, arguing that it has already been given authority to embark on industrial action by the policy-making conference. There have already been unofficial walkouts in some postal and sorting offices, but the union has asked its members to wait for the official starting signal before halting work.

One private London post company, West One Group, has 160 cars, 40 vans and 120 motor cycles which already make about 2,000 trips a day.

In the event of a widespread strike its managing director, Mr John Weston, could easily treble that figure, although he said yesterday that profits would not treble accordingly because he would have to lower his charges to take account of longer delivery and collection times.

Many of his 1,500 account customers represent the large mail users such as mail order publishing and printing firms which Post Office workers have identified as their priority targets.

"We would certainly have a big influx of business, but we could never satisfy the demand", Mr Weston said yesterday.

Mr Richard Benson, managing director of the Pony Express subsidiary of Securicor, said that his operation was not in direct competition with the Post Office.

However, its new Pony Express overnight letter service, which guarantees delivery anywhere in mainland Britain by 10am for collections up to 7.30pm the previous day, could benefit from a prolonged postal dispute.

The overnight service costs £8.50 for an envelope of about A4 size which can contain documents weighing up to 2kg. Other, slower services would be much cheaper and would also be in higher demand.

Cap of nostalgia: Dame Vera Lynn dons wartime costume for a BBC recording of a revival of "Stage Door Canteen", the London night spot which entertained three million Allied troops before it closed in December, 1946. Photograph: Peter Trievnor. D-Day, back page

Labour fury over minister's interview on future of BBC

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

The ever-present suspicions of opposition politicians that ministers are out to weaken or subordinate the BBC were inflamed yesterday by an interview given to *The Sunday Times* by Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State at the Home Office with responsibility for broadcasting.

Mr Hurd was reported as saying he wanted a full debate of the BBC's financing before negotiations started on an increase in the licence fee from next April.

He added: "We have not ruled out any potential form for future financing, whether advertising, sponsorship, subscription, the separation of radio from television, or privatization."

After the interview was picked up by the *Sunday People*, under the headline "Tories set to sell off Beeb", and the *Sunday Mirror* – "TV licence to be axed?" – Mr Hurd told his local BBC radio station, Radio Oxford, that the reports of his comments had been distorted and that he would make a statement through the Home Office today.

Later a Home Office spokesman said: "There are no plans whatever to change the licensing system, or to do anything dramatic."

By then Gerald Kaufman, Shadow home secretary, was protesting that privatization "would wreck the most important and most reputable broadcasting organization in the world", that sponsorship would prostitute the BBC's standards and advertising would dilute the integrity of programmes.

He said grave disquiet will be aroused by indications that the Government is considering dismembering the BBC and that the Prime Minister must be told clearly to "lay off".

Mr Hurd denied in the interview that he was considering any breaking up of the BBC.

As for the licensing system, the established basis of the BBC's finances, Mr Hurd said it looked "tatty" but added that the fee, "despite all its imperfections, is easier to criticize than to replace".

The interview was given 10 days earlier, on May 24, and the following day, in a Commons debate, reassured the BBC by using exactly the same words to defend the fee. He said it continued to be the most effective way of providing services of a high standard.

He also dismissed the notion that the Chancellor of the Exchequer would consider raising taxes to pay the £700m annual cost of the BBC's domestic radio and television services.

He said those who valued the BBC's independence had "always quite reasonably sought to avoid" the consequence of funding through taxation, which was that the Government would inevitably be answerable to Parliament for the way BBC services were run.

Diplomat case 'was handled clumsily'

By Peter Hennessy

The Foreign Office has admitted privately that the case of Miss Rhona Ritchie, the British diplomat given a nine-month suspended sentence in November, 1982, for passing confidential information to her Egyptian lover, was handled in a hasty and unsatisfactory way by MI5 and the Law Officers' Department.

Steps have been taken to ensure that future cases involving diplomats and the unauthorized disclosure of information under section 2 of the Official Secrets Act, 1911, will be handled more carefully.

The new arrangement is disclosed in the annual report of the First Division Association, the top civil servants' union. A section of the document devoted to the affairs of the Diplomatic Service Association (DSA), to which Miss Ritchie belonged, deals with her case but does not name her.

The case, the report says, "was brought in a way which raised questions about excessively hasty procedures and decisions, without opportunity for full reflection of all important relevant considerations".

Whitehall sources indicate the reason for the sensitivity is the delicate relaionship between the Foreign Office, MI5, and the Law Officers' Department. There was a strong feeling inside the Foreign Office that Miss Ritchie, who has left the diplomatic service, was both hastily and harshly treated. None of the material she passed while serving in Tel Aviv to Rifat El-Ansari, an Egyptian diplomat, was highly classified. Most of it was made public shortly afterwards.

Miss Ritchie: Case leads to new arrangements.

MSC looks forward to more jobs

By Paul Routledge
Labour Editor

There should be a small rise in national employment in the year ahead and the number of people out of work will remain at an historically high level for several years, according to the Manpower Services Commission.

In its corporate plan for 1984-88, the commission predicts that the long-term unemployed – those without a job for more than 12 months – will still number more than a million two years from now.

Despite those findings, Mr David Young, chairman of the commission, says in a foreword to the report that "the employment outlook is better than in previous years". The commission is planning to spend £2,100m in this financial year, 60 per cent ore than in 1982-83.

Examining the outlook for the labour market, the corporate plan says: "For the first time since the beginning of the recession the year ahead should show a small rise in national employment.

"Output has been rising nationally for two years. Unemployment has stabilized and has fallen slightly in some months; the trend of vacancies has been steadily upward since 1981 and employment, after falling for four years, levelled out in mid-1983."

In the longer term, it seems likely that employment will increase but demographic factors will continue to produce an increase in the population of working age and thus in labour supply. The growth of employment seems unlikely to be enough to achieve large reductions in unemployment.

"While unemployment may well have peaked and should decline over the planning period, the commission's plans must still assume a labour market with an historically high level of unemployment, albeit with more prospect of a fall rather than a rise in future years."

Observing that the mumber of long-term unemployed rose from fewer than 375,000 in 1981 to more than one million in 1983, the commission argues that but for its Community Programme the number would rise still further to about 1.25 million in 1985, more than two fifths of *total* unemployment.

"The Youth Training Scheme has had a marked beneficial effect on youth unemployment", the plan adds. Without it, unemployment among the under-18s would be more than half.

"Although the number of young people getting jobs has recently been higher than expected, high-level unemployment over the planning period will still leave new entrants to the labour force at a disadvantage in getting permanent jobs and training.

Falklands bring new speculation

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

Sir Rex Hunt, Civil Commissioner for the Falkland Islands, starts three days of talks at the Foreign Office today, causing speculation over fresh moves between Britain and Argentina.

Whitehall officials, however, are playing down the visit, saying it is for long-planned "routine" consultations. They also dismiss reports of a projected Anglo-Argentine deal over fishing rights around the islands, pointing out there are less difficult issues to be settled first.

Sir Rex is said to have welcomed the talks, during which he will see Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, Lady Young, who deals with the Falklands, and officials.

●Every one of the 777 British Servicemen injured in the Falklands conflict will receive a commemorative Falklands crown. Three Falklands women spent nearly a year raising £1,942.50p for the coins.

Record run along Pennine Way

By Ronald Faux

Mr Michael Cudahy, aged 43, an enthusiast for running long distances, yesterday broke the Pennine Way record, covering the 271 miles in two days, 21 hours, 54 minutes and 30 seconds.

It was his eighth attempt and the first time the British long distance footpath has been completed in fewer than three days.

The last stretch to Kirk Yetholm, Scotland, across the boggy ground of the Cheviots was the worst, but Mr Cudahy finished at a fine pace having averaged 90 miles in each of the three days. He was spurred along the last lap by Mark Cudahy, aged 19, the eldest of his seven children.

Mr Cudahy a lecturer in physical education at Birmingham University, ran non-stop for the first 40 hours and then took five-minute rests every seven miles with the exception of a long halt when he fell asleep for 90 minutes.

"In the past it was either the weather or my feet that defeated me. If the weather was fine my feet would get burning hot and blistered; if it was bad then the ground became too difficult. This time it was not ideal but I did it", he said. The ground was often damp and kept his feet, which he coated with plastic second skin, tolerably cool.

Sustained by liquid food and the gentle bullying of a support team who paced him and ran with him along stretches of the route, Mr Cudahy averaged five miles an hour during the day and between three and a half and four miles an hour when he pounded across moors in the dark.

Police fear missing boy, 7, is dead

Police officers' searching for Mark Tildesley, aged seven, who disappeared from his home at Wokingham, Berkshire, on Friday evening, were increasingly convinced last night that he has been murdered.

Yesterday police divers joined the hunt for the boy, who left his parents' house to visit a funfair half a mile away.

The police are investigating two calls made to the family home on Saturday night from a man claiming that he had seen the boy and who told the boy's father, Mr John Tildesley, a council worker, that it would "cost him" to get his son back.

Superintendent Alan Cussell, of Thames Valley police, said yesterday: "There is no earthly reason why he should not have come home unless something has happened to him. We fear some harm has befallen him and we are desperate for anyone who has seen him to come forward".



Mark Tildesley: Missing since Friday evening.

High cost of a spelling mistake

By Our Crossword Editor

Nine competitors qualified for the national final of the Collins Dictionaries *Times* Crossword Championship at the London regional finals held at the Park Lane Hotel over the weekend.

Only two competitors solved all four puzzles correctly in the London Region B final yesterday – Ms Sally Stevens, who took an average of 15 minutes for each puzzle, and Mr Paul Best, from Hurst, Berkshire, an advertising executive, who took five minutes longer for second place.

Mrs Morar Ryton, an actress from Richmond and a previous finalist, was third, Commander D. P. Willan, a retired naval officer from Alverstoke, Hampshire, fourth, and Mr Edward Hillman, a retired schoolmaster and a previous finalist, fifth.

The unluckiest competitor of the weekend was Mr D. R. Armitage, of Stockport, a Cambridge University undergraduate, who completed all four puzzles in the London Region A final on Saturday in only 22 minutes, but made one simple spelling mistake that disqualified him.

The A final was won by the winner of the national championship in 1981, Mr Tony Severs, a computer systems consultant, of Ealing.

Mr James Atkins, the teacher of singing who has twice won the national championship, came second.

Third was Mr David W. Vine, of Wanstead, London, who is a GLC statistician and a former finalist, and fourth a newcomer, Mrs A. Harre, a housewife from North Walsham, Norfolk.

Alternative summit call for economic reforms

By David Nicholson-Lord

On the eve of the world economic summit in London, leaders of a rival exercise in international problem-solving will tomorrow call on Mrs Margaret Thatcher to abandon some of her most hallowed economic goals.

Representatives of the "steady state" and related schools of economics, from American academics to Third World gurus, are gathering for The Other Economic Summit, a three-day meeting aimed at providing an alternative and rather more radical vision of a future world order.

British organizers of the other summit will deliver to 10 Downing Street tomorrow their "strategic agenda" for change.

Among its priorities are greater local self-reliance and economic recovery from the "bottom up", a recognition that the traditional link between investment and job creation may have gone for good and a set of economic indicators that, unlike the gross national product, take account of quality, welfare and future needs.

Six-month summit drill

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400-member Special Branch, the Diplomatic Patrol Group, the anti-terrorist squad and men from the D.11 firearms training section, who are likely to provide armed observers around the buildings and routes of the summit members.

Every one of the venues for meetings during the summit will be under the command of a senior police officer, who will have overall responsibility for security in that area. Above them will be officers including a detective chief superintendent from Special Branch, the commander of the DPG and a deputy assistant commissioner who is in charge overall.

To move delegates between ambassadorial residences, hotels, Lancaster House and other meeting places the Cabinet Office has installed a new British system of mobile radio to provide an advanced communications network stretching out to Gatwick and Heathrow airports.

The movement of the participants in the summit will be monitored and coordinated and traffic in parts of central London may be stopped for brief periods as the cars sweep backwards and forwards with their vulnerable passengers. If there is an incident emergency arrangements have been made and ambulances will be standing by at certain key points.

Foot blames hostile press

By Our Political Editor

Mr Micheal Foot, whose account of the Labour Party's campaign and defeat in last year's general election is published today, said yesterday that anyone who read what really happened "cannot take the view that Labour was fairly treated in the campaign".

He said that before preparing for the next election the party and the electorate would have to understand what part "vicious Tory newspapers such as the Murdoch newspapers play in our politics, and what part (public opinion) polls may play".

Interviewed on BBC radio Mr Foot said it was not whining just to state the facts of what newspapers said and how it was reflected by television and radio. It would have to be taken into account because there would still be a hostile press

In his book, *Another Heart and Other Pulses*", Mr Foot, as well as criticizing newspapers for suppressing and distorting Labour's case, complains of damaging interventions by each of his two immediate predecessors, Mr James Callaghan and Lord Wilson.

Lord Wilson, in what Mr Foot calls "a gratuitous display of vanity", gave an interview to the *Daily Mail* about errors in Mr Foot's campaign.

MP s fly to Norway for acid rain study

By Tony Samstag

The Commons Environment Committee flew to Kristiansand, Norway, yesterday at the start of a five-day visit to study environmental damage in Norway and Sweden attributed to acid rain.

The trip reflects increasing concern in Britain that acidification of large areas in Scandinavia may not only be, as the Scandinavian governments allege, the result of British emissions of sulphur and nitrogen compoupnds, arrived by the prevailing winds over the region, but may also be occurring in Britain.

It will also contribute to the body of evidence garnered by the committee in its continuing hearings on acid rain.

Among the objectives of the visit, which was requested by the committee, are evidence that causes other than British emissions might be responsible for the environmental damage, and an assessment of the likelihood that proposed EEC controls on such emissions might reverse the damage.

A draft report by Nature Conservancy Council scientists, as yet unpublished but reported by *The Times* last year, suggests that acidification damage is widespread in parts of Scotland, with high acidity readings common throughout much of Britain.

Ex-UDR man found shot dead

Police called to what was thought to be a single-vehicle road accident early yeaterday found the driver, a former member of the Ulster Defence Regiment, shot dead.

Mr Hugh Gallagher, aged 26, a taxi driver and father of two children, from Killyclougher, Tyrone, is thought to have died instantly when he was ambushed by gunmen outside Omagh.

MP urges action over disclosure

The Attorney General should take legal action against civil servants who instructed Department of Health officials to pass confidential information in legal aid applications to other departments, Ms Harriet Harman, Labour's social services spokesman, said yesterday.

The department has suspended the instruction from the "L" code after an outcry over the move. The 1974 Legal Aid Act, says information in applications must not be released without the applicants consent.

Two killed at Manx circuit

The Isle of Man TT course claimed another victim yesterday when Mr Roger Cox, of Brize Norton, Oxfordshire, died from injuries suffered during a crash in a practice session.

On Saturday Mr Ian Rhodes, a race follower, of Hull, died in a crash on a side road to the course. Race report, page 23

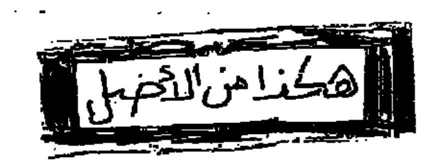
Crash victims

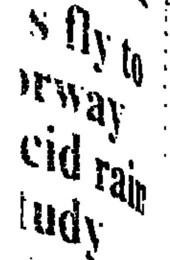
Six people were still in a serious condition in hospital yesterday after a bus crash on Saturday in which three people died at Brydekirk near Annan, Dumfries and Galloway.

Niven fund

The David Niven Campaign for the Motor Neurone Disease Association was launched in London yesterday to raise money to find a cure for the disease that killed the actor last year.

Overseas selling prices
Austria Sch 25; Belgium B frs 50; Canada $2.75; Canaries Pes 170; Cyprus 700 mils; Denmark Dkr 8.50; Finland Mkk 8.00; France Frs 7.00; Germany DM 3.50; Greece Dr 100; Holland Gl 3.40; Irish Republic 40p; Italy L 2200; Luxembourg Lf 38; Madeira Esc 120; Morocco Dir 6.00; Norway Kr 8.50; Pakistan Rps 18; Portugal Esc 125; Singapore $6.60; Spain Pes 170; Sweden Skr 8.50; Switzerland S Frs 3.00; Tunisia Din 0.700; USA $1.75; Yugoslavia Din 100





NHS wasting millions on expensive, ineffective, unsafe drugs, book says

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

The National Health Service is wasting hundreds of millions of pounds a year on more than 800 drugs that are ineffective, over-priced, unnecessary, or less safe than other products, according to a book published today.

The Wrong Kind of Medicine? by Charles Medawar, of Social Audit, which is published in conjunction with the Consumers' Association, argues that Britain needs a new Medicines Act prohibiting the licensing of drugs unless they can be shown to:

- offer significant therapeutic benefit;
- meet real medical needs;
- have a satisfactory risk: benefit ratio; and
- provide acceptable therapeutic value for money.

Such a move would reduce the 6,500 drugs available in Britain by perhaps two-thirds, the book argues. Norway, for example, through such a law has only about 1,900 preparations, and Sweden about 2,500.

Britain, according to the book, has "far more drugs than we need and far too many for effective use".

Responsibility for the drug industry should be shifted from the Department of Health and Social Security to the Department of Trade and Industry, Mr Medawar writes.

Drawing on published sources, such as the *British National Formulary* and the American Medical Association's *Drug Evaluations*, the book lists 800 drugs which are obsolete, of little or no proven value, are less safe than alternatives, are dearer than equivalent products, are used inappropriately, or combine ingredients with opposite effects.

Included are drugs with household names, such as Distalgesic and Valium, cough mixtures such as Benylin, and drugs such as the peripheral vasodilators on which the health service spends £30m a year, but which "may do more harm than good" when prescribed for senile dementia.

The pain-killer Distalgesic carries a risk of dependence, has a relatively low fatal dose, and the health service could save £2.5m a year by prescribing cheaper versions of the same product.

The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry described the book as "irresponsibly and dangerously misleading" in arguing that by following Norway's example the health service could save hundreds of millions of pounds. "Expenditure on medicines in Norway in 1981 stood at £37.82 a head, nearly twice the British figure of £21.64".

The British Medical Association, commenting on the book, said there would seem to be no economic case for reducing the present choice of drugs because the amount spent on drugs a head of population and the percentage of the gross national product spent on pharmaceuticals was less than that of other Western European states.

The Wrong Kind of Medicine? by Charles Medawar (Consumers' Association and Hodder and Stoughton; £3.95).

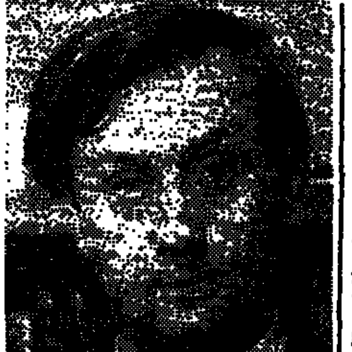
New health jobs on way

Health authorities are to be told to introduce general managers throughout the Natonal Health Service by the end of next year at the latest.

Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, is expected to announce this week, probably today, the decision to go ahead with the recommendations of the Griffiths report.

The general managers will be appointed first, by the autumn, at regional level, to be followed in the 192 health districts, and finally at unit level. With exceptions – for example where a doctor is appointed as the general manager at unit level – the appointments will be full-time.

In some cases, health authorities are expected to make outside appointments to the new posts.



Mr Levi: Very interested in the money.

A few lines from the new professor

"The Fellows of Magdalen decided
That the motor cars wherein they rided,
Were more of a lark
Than the deer in the park,
So a car park therein they provided."

By Alan Hamilton

"I am not the Poet Laureate", declared Mr Peter Levi yesterday, declining an invitation by *The Times* to compose some instant lines on his election at the weekend as Professor of Poetry at Oxford University.

Being under no obligation to call down the Muse for any specific event, he offered instead the above hitherto unpublished lines on the recent controversial planning decision by a rival college.

At the end of the two-day election Mr Levi, aged 53, a classical scholar, archaeologist, critic and full-time writer, secured the post with 427 votes. His closest rival, Mr James Fenton, the poet and journalist, polled 279 votes; Professor Frank Prince was third with 99 votes, Mr Gavin Ewart fourth with 52, and Mr Duncan McGann fifth with 26.

The salary of £2,305 a year is considerably better than the emolument of the Poet Laureate, but the duties are hardly more onerous. Mr Levi will have to deliver three lectures a year and give some informal tuition; if he delivers the oration at the Encaenia, the honorary degree ceremony, he will earn an extra £40.

"I am extremely interested in the money", Mr Levi said yesterday. Although a fellow of St Catherine's, he holds no teach post and lives by writing.

Of mixed Jewish and Roman Catholic ancestry, he spent much of his life as a Jesuit, but left the priesthood in 1977 to marry the widow of the critic Cyril Connolly.

"My voters were conservative, middle-aged figures; Fenton's supporters were younger. Oxford being a middle-aged, fuddy-duddy kind of place, I was not entirely surprised to win," Mr Levi said.

The mischievous Mr Gavin Ewart, one of the unsuccessful candidates, clearly did not expect to win when he launched his election campaign with an acidic clerihew:

"If the Muse
Could choose
(From the greater and the lesser)
Would she actually want a poetry professor?"



Housing boom bound to end bank says

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

The buoyant housing scene, both in building and pices, is set to end, according to *Lloyds Bank Economic Bulletin*, published today.

Mr Christopher Johnson, the group economic adviser, writes in the latest issue of the bulletin that the housing boom is playing its part in the UK's economic recovery, "but it lacks strength compared with previous peaks in the housing cycle, and a downturn already looks inevitable".

He also says that building societies will be under official pressure to hold their rates and mortgage rates unchanged in the face of the rise in bank base rates.

He says that plentiful housing credit, combined with a shortage in supply of affordable new houses, is inevitably pushing up prices of both existing and new homes, a good deal faster than inflation.

Last year the bulletin had predicted a 13 per cent rise in house prices in 1983, which turned out to be just more than 11 per cent.

"This year the indications are that it may accelerate to about 13 per cent, on the basis of first quarter figures. House prices are thus rising by 6.8 per cent more than inflation. This is far less than in the two previous house price booms in the 1970s".

Mr Johnson says that the number of housing units completed rose by about 10 per cent in 1983, with the same sort of increase expected this year. Completions will thus have risen from a low point of 177,000 in 1982 to 216,000 this year.

"A housing cycle in which each peak is 100,000 lower than the previous one must be seen as a fluctuation around a sharp secular decline which cannot be allowed to continue without grave detriment to national living standards," he says.

Homes group challenges Fowler claim on benefit

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Mortgage tax relief, rather than housing benefit, is the form of housing assistance that goes too high up the income scale, SHAC, the London Housing Aid Centre, said yesterday.

In the first public evidence to the Government's review of housing benefit, set up after the chaos that accompanied its introduction last year, SHAC argues that claims that the benefit is too generous or goes too high up the scale are unsound.

But the system does need to be simplified and made fairer by unifying the three separate elements in it, SHAC says.

Answering claims by Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, that the system is too generous, SHAC says it has been cut, not extended.

Four hundred thousand households were taken out of benefit when the scheme was introduced in April last year, and another 400,000 lost entitlement in the cuts this April.

The numbers claiming have risen to more than six million because of rising unemployment and steep increases in council rents as central government subsidies have been withdrawn.

Of the 6,800,000 recipients, 2,400,000 receive rate rebates only – a figure that includes owner-occupiers as well as tenants. Only 4,400,000 receive help with both rent and rates – 1,400,000 fewer than those who benefit from tax relief on mortgages.



Fifty years on: Sir Kenneth Newman (above), the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, reviewed 60 former police officers at the Metropolitan Police Training Establishment, in Hendon, north London, yesterday, to celebrate 50 years of police training at the centre.

All 60 were students between 1934 and 1939
(Photograph: John Voos).

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Another senior man ready to quit TV-am

The commercial breakfast station TV-am is on the verge of losing its third senior executive in a fortnight over the company's future direction under its new managing director, Mr Bruce Gyngell (David Hewson writes).

Journalists at the station believe that Mr Clive Jones, the station's weekday programme editor, is to discuss his future with Mr Gyngell today. He is understood to have set out a number of terms under which he is willing to stay at the station.

Two weeks ago Mr Greig Dyke, who as editor-in-chief, was credited with increasing TV-am's ratings from 200,000 to about 1.5 million, resigned after a clash with Mr Gyngell. Last Friday, Mr Micheal Moore resigned as the station's general manager after only a month in the job.

Racing fraud man to sell stable

Kenneth Richardson, a Humberside businessman, is to sell his stable of 50 horses after his conviction on Friday for the "Flockton Grey" fraud.

As the York Crown Court jury was considering its verdict for more than 8½ hours last Friday, he pledged to give up the sport he claims had made him £1m. He said: "I've finished with racing for good now. This case has made me and my family ill

The horses in his stable are technically owned by his wife or relatives because of the Jockey Club rules that ban him from running horses because of his bankruptcy in 1960.

Richardson, aged 46, of Jubilee House, Hutton, near Driffield, was found guilty of masterminding a horse switch fraud and given a nine-month suspended sentence suspended for a year and fined £20,000 with up to £100,000 court costs.

Together with his racing manager, and a horse box driver, he headed the fraud at a Leicester race two years ago when an experienced three-year-old gelding called Good Hand won in the guise of an unraced two-year-old, falsely named Flockton Grey.



'The Merry Wives of Windsor' is this year's production by the New Shakespeare Company at the Open Air Theatre in Regent's Park. It opens today. From left: Kate O'Mara as Mrs Ford, Ronald Fraser as Falstaff and Philippa Gail as Mrs Page. (Photograph: Orde Eliason).

Teachers to resume strikes

By Colin Hughes

School pupils in England and Wales return today from their half-term holiday to face a second round of selective strikes and disruptive sanctions by the two largest teachers' unions.

The National Union of Teachers begins another series of three-day selective strikes tomorrow which will affect 270 schools in 50 of the 104 local education authorities.

The National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, the second largest union, will step up its own selective half-day strikes today and tomorrow by including Staffordshire, North Yorkshire, Essex and Gloucestershire in its list of target authorities.

The Association was already running selective strikes in Hampshire, Leeds, Cambridgeshire and South Glamorgan before the spring break, and these will resume today.

Mr Nigel de Gruchy, the association's deputy general secretary, yesterday claimed that the teaching unions were winning their fight to persuade local authority employers to allow the dispute to go to arbitration.

The Labour-dominated Association of Metropolitan Authorities has agreed to support arbitration as the best way of resolving the pay talks, and several counties belonging to the Conservative-controlled Association of County Councils have recently backed arbitration.

Most of the employers' panel, however, argue that they could not afford to pay any improved offer which arbitrators might propose.

On Thursday the National Association of Head Teachers is hoping to persuade Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Education and Science, that he should put pressure on the county councils to resume pay talks.

Yesterday the employers and unions began three days of separate talks at the Holiday Inn in Plymouth, aimed at agreeing recommendations for the Government on a revised salary structure.

Ronan Point builder may face claim of £2m

By Charles Knevitt
Architecure Correspondent

Taylor Woodrow Anglian, which built Ronan Point and scores of other residential tower blocks to similar designs, may face claims for massive compensation after the latest round in its legal battle with a London council.

Newham Council, in east London, issued writs against the company in 1970 alleging nelgigence and breach of contract over the partial collapse of Ronan Point. Ten years later, Mr Justice O'Connor ruled that damages were payable for breach of contract, but not for negligence.

A recent High Court ruling by Judge Holroyd Pearce, means that the company will have to pay more than £2m as a result of the collapse. This includes £1.8m for the cost of strengthening work to blocks of similar design in the borough; £289,000 as the cost of rebuilding Ronan Point; and £293,000 for loss of rent.

Part of Ronan Point, a 22-storey tower block containing 110 flats, collapsed in 1969 in a gas explosion which killed five people.

Taylor Woodrow said: "We shall be discussing the judgment with our legal advisers shortly, with a view to considering an appeal."

The Association of Metropolitan Authorites estimates that at least 7,951 flats were built using the Ronan Point building system. Thirty-six towers of similar construction were built on 10 estates in London. There could be as many as 100 around the country, although many of them have only half the number of storeys.

Newham is considering futher legal action against the builder over faults which have only recently come to light.

Ronan Point has been evacuated for the second time to allow a full structural survey and for fire tests to be carried out.

Hotel guide for non-smokers published

The first hotel guide for non-smokers is published today by Ash, the anti-smoking group, with an attack on establishments for being too slow to respond to changing demands. It lists 144 establishments offering facilities for customers who "want to be free from other people's tobacco smoke". Mr David Simpson, director of Ash, said non-smokers now outnumbered smokers by more than two to one. Most people – smokers and non-smokers – wanted more non-smoking provisions.

Ming Porcelain goes on show

A collection of Ming Transitional porcelain recently recovered from the floor of the South China Sea where it had lain since about 1643 is to be shown at the international Ceramics fair and Seminar at the Dorchester Hotel in London later this month.

The Hatcher Cargo, as the collection is known after the Singapore-based salvage captain who found it, was aboard a vessel thought to be a chinese junk trading under licence from the Dutch East India Company.

Good food guide

A single British food quality mark is to be intoduced for home-grown products such as cheese, bacon and apple by Food from Britain, the Government's £14m marketing body set up to boost home and international sales of United Kingdom produce.

Son for Frost

David Frost, the television presenter, announced yesterday that his wife, Lady Carina Fitzalan-Howard, had given birth to a son, Miles Paradine, on Saturday.

Data Protection Bill: 1

Some key safeguards for individuals accepted

With the Data Protection Bill well on its way to becoming law, FRANCES GIBB, our Legal Affairs Correspondent, opens a two-part series on the controversy surrounding this pioneering effort to give citizens the right of access to computerized records held on them and to prevent the misuse of such information.

The first safeguards to protect individuals against the misuse of confidential information about them stored in computers will shortly be enshrined in English law.

After a bumpy ride the controversial Data Protection Bill emerges tomorrow for its final stages in the Commons; it is expected to receive the Royal Assent next month.

The Bill creates the first general statutory right of access by individuals to computer records concerning them. It also imposes a duty on all who store personal information in computers to abide by certain principles as to its accuracy, security, and as to why and how the information is stored and disclosed.

The right of access, and the exemptions to it, have created most of the controversy surrounding he Bill. But the Government has accepted the force of critics' arguments on several key issues.

Chief among the changes are.

1. Immigration data, which was to have been exempt from access by the subject, with that held for purposes of national security, crime prevention, detection and prosecution, and tax purposes, is no longer to be exempt: a victory for the civil liberties lobby.

2. After a long battle fought by people professionally concerned with health care medical information will not be disclosed by the computer user, such as a health authority, without the consent of the professional worker responsible for it.

3. Because of concern from small businesses, personal information held only for pay-roll and accounting purposes will be exempt from any requirment to give the subject access.

4. All public bodies holding examinations were worried about possible access to results by students before their publication. Under the Bill as it stands, requests for access to such information must be met within 40 days. However, under a change to be made by the Government at the report stage, the examining body must meet such a request within five months, or within 40 days of the results being released, whichever is the sooner.

5. The Government has agreed to changes to allay public concern, particularly among those concerned with civil liberties about provisions in the Bill that enabled the Home Secretary to deny individuals the right to see information about them where its disclosure was already prohibited or restricted by statute. That could have affected all central government computer files.

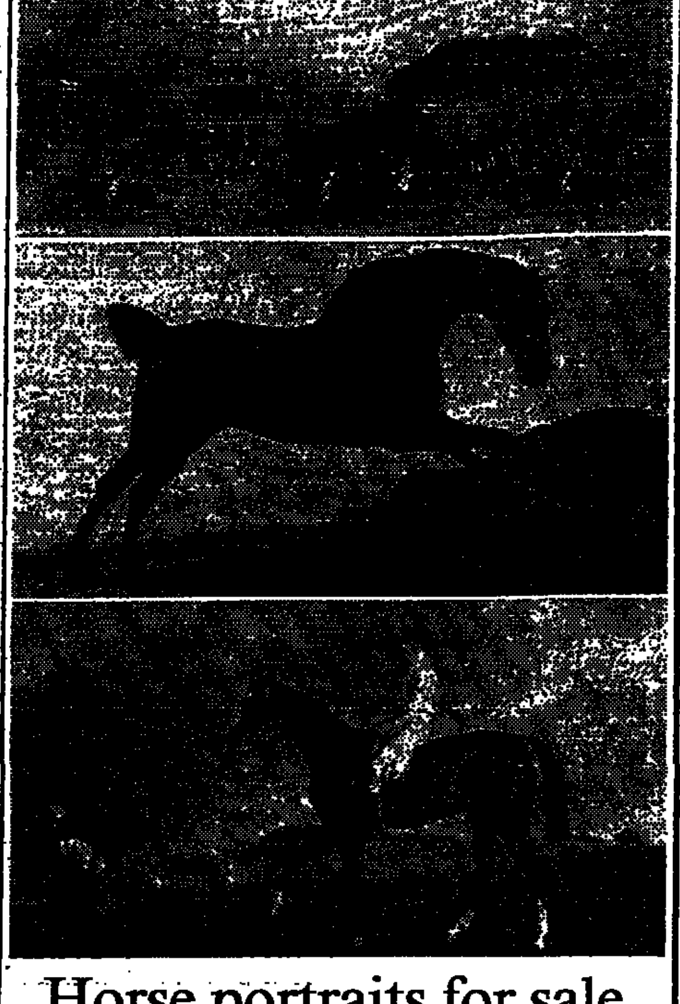
The provision had been aimed at the Adoption Act and at preventing adopted children from obtaining access to the identity of their natural parentage. Under the changes, the Home Secretary will be able to make exemption orders preventing disclosure only when disclosure would not be in the interests of the subject of the information or of any other individuals.

Arguably the most hotly debated aspect of the Bill, its failure to cover manual records, remains unchanged.

Critics argued that the Bill's safeguards could be circumvented easily by arranging for sensitive information to be stores manually. But evidence from other countries argues against that, Home Office officials maintain. They say that data legislation has not brought about any important transfer of data from computers to manual files.

The officials also argue that the whole point of the proposed law is the threat posed by computers to personal information. "If material is removed from computers", one said, "the threat is no longer the same."

Tomorrow: Implementing the law



Horse portraits for sale

With impeccable timing Christie's has chosen Derby week to announce that it will be selling perhaps the best private collections of sporting paintings in Britain on July 13 (Huon Mallalieu writes).

The owner of the 24 canvases, Mr H. J. Joel, is not only a noted bloodstock breeder, but owner of Royal Palace, the 1967 Derby winner.

The paintings, which are expected to make at least £1,500,000, include a view of the 1938 Doncaster Gold Cup (top illustration) painted in collaboration by the elder John Frederick Herring and James Pollard.

When it last visited the sale room in 1943 it reached 900 gns. This time it could make £250,000 or more.

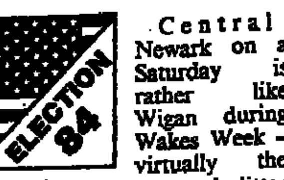
There is also a striking portrait of a bay hunter by George Stubbs (centre) and The Car, a bay racehorse being exercised on Newmarket Heath (above), by John E Fernley.

Sir Niklaus Pevsner once said that the racing picture was at its best when "there is no exciting action, but a curious stillness", which may well reflect the obvservation of many successful jockeys that they seem to move in silence, unable to hear the cheers and the hoofbeats.

The Herring picture is a fine example of the phenomenon, as is another unusual Herring in the collection, which shows the moment before the start of the 1825 Gold Cup, capturing the keyed-up tension of the mounts and riders.

Hart staff predict close result in garden state

From Nicholas Ashford, Newark, New Jersey



Central Newark on a Saturday is rather like Wigan during Wakes Week – virtually the only thing that moves is litter blowing through the empty shabby streets.

Like Wigan, Newark, and more particularly the state of New Jersey, of which it is the largest city, has long been the butt of disparaging jokes. To many Americans, the "Garden State" is synonymous with toxic waste dumps, industrial blight and the Mafia.

However, the shining new skyscrapers which are beginning to rise above the Newark skyline symbolize the dramatic changes taking place in New Jersey.

Over the past decade, New Jersey has transformed itself from a traditional industrial state into one of the most economically diverse in the country, with the second highest income per head. There are more scientists in New Jersey than there are in California.

Based on the experience of earlier primaries, New Jersey is a state where Senator Gary Hart should fare well in tomorrow's hotly contested race. Demographically, it is similar to Connecticut, where Senator Hart's campaign staff are predicting victory tomorrow, they admit the result will be close.

Mr Hart would have been in the lead by now if he had not blundered a week ago by making an unflattering remark about New Jersey.

He said his wife was lucky to be campaigning for him in California while he was stuck in New Jersey – the sort of comment that raises hackles in this image-sensitive state.

For five days newspapers and television were dominated by the controversy Mr Hart provoked, and Mr Walter Mondale, his main rival for the Democratic presidential nomination, happily added fuel to the flames.

The dispute over an off-the-cuff remark underscores the intensity of the battle taking place in New Jersey, where 107 delegates to the Democratic Party convention are at stake.

Mr Mondale needs a big victory in New Jersey as insurance against a possible loss in California, where 306 delegates are at stake in that state's primary tomorrow.

Senator Hart needs to win New Jersey as well as California if he is to prevent a first ballot nomination for Mr Mondale at the San Francisco convention. The Rev Jesse Jackson, the third candidate, needs to maintain his strength among black voters to preserve his pivotal bargaining position at the convention.

Both Mr Mondale and Mr Hart have invested much time and money ($500,000, about £360,000, apiece) in the state. Mr Mondale's well-honed campaign has concentrated on the former Vice-President's leadership qualities, portraying him as "seasoned," "steady" and "experienced". Mr Mondale has also attacked Senator Hart's record on arms control and the environment – two important issues in New Jersey.

Mr Hart has avoided responding to Mr Mondale's attacks, and instead has focused on the theme that New Jersey is a state which is putting into practice the sort of "new ideas" he is advocating. "New Jersey," he declared, "is in the cutting edge of change".

Mr Mondale has received the endorsement of most of the state party leaders and is being backed by trades unionists, teachers and those who favour nuclear freeze.

Neither candidate inspires much enthusiasm, and a low turnout is expected. Senator Hart's officials privately concede their best hope of victory may ultimately prove to be Mr Mondale's negative image.

Jesse Jackson to meet Castro

The Rev Jesse Jackson has accepted an invitation to meet President Fidel Castro in Havana later this month. Mr Jackson told a press conference in Washington that he would discuss strained United States relations with Cuba, conflicts in Central America, and the issue of political prisoners in Cuban jails.

Perón and Alfonsín get on well

From Douglas Tweedale Buenos Aires

After two weeks in Argentina, Señora Maria Estela (Isabel) Martinez de Perón the former President, has received dozens of Perónist leaders at her hotel and struck up what to all appearances is a warm friendship with President Alfonsín, but the political intentions of Perón's widow remain as much a mystery as ever.

Although Señora Perón has met the President at least four times since she returned from Madrid on May 19, there have been no signs that the broad political accord, the President is seeking with the Perónist opposition is any closer.

A government spokesman described the latest meeting, a dinner at the Presidential residence, as purely social Seõr Alfonsín himself said beforehand that he had not yet discussed politics with Señor Perón.

Each time the two have met they have been photographed laughing at shared jokes, smiling warmly at each other and even holding hands.

The Government appears eager to promote the image of friendship with "La Señora", perhaps because she has shown herself to be the least critical of Señor Alfonsín's six-month-old government among all the Perónist leaders.

According to Perónist observers, the President would like to use Señora Perón's remaining influence over the party founded by her late husband to achieve some sort of political truce while he tries to renegotiate Argentina's £30bn foreign debt and resolve the country's internal economic crisis.

Señora Perón, for her part, has kept almost as quiet about her wishes as was her custom while living in her Madrid retreat. She has not spoken in public nor granted any press interviews. It is not even certain whether she plans to remain in Argentina or return to Spain.

● Señor Wilson Ferraira Aldanate, the exiled leader of Uruguay's Blanco Party, plans to return to Uruguay on June 16 despite threats by the military Government to arrest him.



Good neighbours: President Pertini warmly greeting the Pope on Saturday on his arrival at the Quirinale Palace in Rome for his first official visit to Italy. His previous visits were regarded as private.

Inquiry resumes on London's 'glass stump'

By Charles Knevitt Architecture Correspondent

The public inquiry into plans to build a 21-storey, 290ft glass-and-steel office block next to Mansion House in the City of London reopens tomorrow when objectors led by the City of London Corporation and the Greater London Council start giving their evidence.

The £30m scheme which would involve the demolition of the Mappin and Webb building, and eight others on the site which are also listed, includes 178,000 sq ft of offices and a piazza with underground shopping. It would be worth £100m on completion.

Last week the Prince of Wales attacked the design of the tower by Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, who died in 1969, as "a giant glass stump better suited to downtown Chicago".

But a host of distinguished architects and architectural historians have spoken in favour of the plan commissioned by the developer, Mr Peter Palumbo, since the inquiry opened last month.

Mr Michael Manser, President of the Royal Institute of British Architects, said that the inquiry was a test case not for conservation but for modern architecture.

The Corporation of the City of London and the Greater London Council will oppose the tower. The corporation has commissioned another plan, by Mr Roy Worskett, an architect and town planner. A third plan by Mr Terry Farrell, architect of TV-am's post-modern studios in north London, has been commissioned by Save Britain's Heritage.

Contestants fight to put Welsh valley problems to Brussels

From Tim Jones, Cardiff

Some senior party workers helping to fight the European election in South Wales, the most marginal of the four seats in the principality, agree privately on one thing: creating interest in the campaign is like trying to stir a cauldron of thick porridge with a cocktail stick.

Although the four candidates whizz about the constituency to keep pace with punishing schedules, the few people they attract indicates they would have to campaign for years to reach all 500,000 electors who will determine their fate.

An uninitiated onlooker could be forgiven for thinking that the constituency, for all the images that its name engenders, should be Conservative. The Tories hold five of the nine Westminster constituencies it embraces, and great slabs of it are rich agricultural land.

But the clue to the apparent paradox of the seat being held by Labour comes from an examination of the nature of the Westminster constituencies. Only two of the Conservative Westminster seats, the Vale of Glamorgan, and Cardiff North, are remotely true blue. The others are either highly marginal, or at least susceptible to moderate changes in voting patterns. Three of the remaining seats fall into the "monolithic Labour" category.

The Conservatives can be thankful for one stroke of administrative fortune. Under European constituency redistribution the Neath Westminster constituency, Labour now and always, had become part of Mid- and West Wales, which stretches from Pembrokeshire to the English border.

Despite that loss, Labour is favoured to hold South Wales and has in its candidate, Mr Winston Griffiths, an astute and experienced MEP who is regional policy spokesman for the Strasbourg socialist group.

Mr Griffiths, aged 41, maintains there is more interest in the elections than cynics believe, and predicts a turnout of up to 50 per cent.

If the Conservative candidate, Miss Jacqueline Pattman, wins she will be more comfortable than most in the Parliament, for she speaks German and French fluently, and has a good grasp of Italian.

Mrs Joan Davies, the Liberal candidate and until recently the only woman lecturer at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst believes the portrayal of the Liberal/SDP Alliance as the only party really interested in Europe can help to improve considerably on the 10 per cent vote the Liberals received in 1979.

Dafydd Huws, the Plaid Cymru candidate, claims that Wales does badly within the EEC because it does not have a representative on the Council of Ministers.

Commentary

Geoffrey Smith

If any Euro constituency in Britain can claim to be an accurate barometer of the political climate it must surely be Bristol. In last year's general election the votes cast for the three main parties in the eight Westminster parliamentary constituencies that make up this Euro constituency very nearly reflected the national average. So at the end of last week I spent a couple of days there to see how the campaign was progressing.

This election presents peculiar problems to candidates of all parties in all constituencies because there is so little case law as to how a Euro campaign can most effectively be conducted.

The only previous Euro election was held in fairly unusual circumstances five years ago a month after Labour had suffered a crushing defeat in the general election. In many parts of the country there was virtually no contest. The signs are that in that respect at least it will be different this time.

Getting the message across

But if a more serious battle is to be fought, how should it be waged? Are the familiar techniques of doorstep canvassing and public meetings appropriate for such large constituencies? What themes are relevant in an election to a parliament that can hardly be said as yet to have captured the imagination of the electorate?

Estimates of the likely turnout in Bristol on June 14 vary quite a bit between one party and another. But each party is basing its strategy on the assumption that while the poll will be larger than for local elections, it will not approach the general election turnout of 75 per cent in the area. So the first priority for each party will be to mobilize its own supporters: the conversion of marginal voters who may not go to the polls anyway is a lesser objective.

This is most explicit in the campaign of the Labour candidate, Dr Roger Berry, a friendly left-winger, who is periodically wound up by his agents into an instrument of perpetual motion. He is holding no public meetings, but is making a series of flying visits to Labour strongholds with the principal aim of enthusing local teams of canvassers as he dashes at the double from one doorstep to another.

Like the other candidates, he is eager to take any opportunity to make this as much of a media campaign as he can. But from what I saw I would judge the interest of the local media to be limited.

The party's morale seems to have improved since the depths of last summer and Dr Berry's message is neatly calculated to appeal equally to those who want to stay in or withdraw from the community. He does not want to see money wasted on the common agricultural policy which could be used for the creation of jobs. Who does?

But more often he is urging Labour voters to use this election as a chance to protest against the Thatcherite record on unemployment, Labour's staple argument to give a relevance to this campaign for those who have no time for the European Parliament.

The superior Tory machine

Mr Richard Cottrell, the sitting Conservative member, and Mr Peter Farley, the Social Democratic Party candidate, are both enthusiastic supporters of the Community. Mr Farley even goes so far as to say that he is looking for voters 'with Europe in their souls" though he must surely be hoping to cast his net more widely.

His campaign illustrates the difficulty that the Alliance faces in a nationwide election. With a Liberal agent his campaign provides a good example of Alliance cooperation, but with rather less than half the money available to either of the other candidates and no more than 35 really active workers, he cannot do much more than hope that there will be enough voters who want to support the Alliance irrespective of the local campaign.

The Conservative strength lies essentially in their superior organization in an election in which organization will be critical in getting supporters to the polls. But in Bristol there is a greater air of efficiency, and a greater sense of strategy, than one has been accustomed to find in Labour campaigns in recent years.

Violence flares as Greek parties strive for power

From Mario Modiano, Athens

A shotgun was fired at supporters of the ruling socialists while they were sticking campaign posters in Kastoria, in north-western Greece, on Saturday. At the same time an explosive device was hurled at the headquarters of the conservative opposition party, the New Democracy, a few hours before its leader, Mr Evanghelos Averoff, addressed a rally in the same city.

No one was hurt in the incidents, but many Greeks are becoming alarmed by the increasing violence

What has sparked off the conflict is the feeling that the results of the elections will eventually influence the course of domestic politics. If the Pasok socialists, who have been in power for the past 32 months are defeated by a wide margin an early general election may follow.

The two big parties, therefore, are waging war in an effort to polarize the contest and eliminate the challenge of the smaller groups by offering the voter a black or white choice.

Both parties accuse each other of inciting "terrorist" tactics to ward off the coming election defeat. But the Government has rejected an offer by New Democracy to set up a joint committee to monitor incidents and prevent further violence.

Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Prime Minister, who accused New Democracy parliamentarians of cooperating with undemocratic right-wing elements to subvert law and order, has urged the people to be "viligant and defend their democratic conquests".

Spaniards turn out in force against Nato

From Harry Debelius, Madrid

More than half a million anti-Nato demonstrators rallied in Madrid yesterday, revealing the extent of a growing split within the ruling socialist party.

The march, organized by the Spanish Communist Party, included members of the General Labour Union, which is intimately associated with the Spanish Socialist Workers Party, and the ruling party's Socialist Youth movement.

Several prominent socialist politicians took part, despite an earlier announcement that the socialist party would not participate

The Prime Minister, Señor Felipe Gonzalez, lost little time in trying to counter the divisive effects of the demonstration. Less than an hour after it ended, he identified himself with the cause of peace but added, "withdrawal from Nato is no guarantee of peace".

Sēnor Gonzalez's remarks reflected his government's dilemma. During the last general election campaign, when Spain was already a member, the socialists promised to test Spanish opinion on the issue by calling a referendum if they came to power.

Once in power, Sēnor Gonzalez's government has evidently had a gradual change of heart about Nato. Government-commissioned opinion polls indicate that Spaniards today would vote ovrewhelmingly to leave Nato if they had the chance. With a ruling party congress only six months away Sēnor Gonzalez's dilemma, as secretary general of the socialist party and prime minister, is how to do an about-face on Nato without offending many party members and possibly jeopardizing party chances at the next elections as well.

FDP's future looks ominous

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

The small Free Democratic Party (FDP) ended its congress in Münster yesterday amid gloomy signs for the future of the junior coalition partner. Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the party leader, was reelected for a further two years with less than convincing support, and a new poll showed that if an election were held tomorrow the party would lose all its seats in the West German Parliament.

Herr Genscher, arriving directly from Washington for the congress, admitted that he bore some of the blame for the general dissatisfaction with his leadership. But even he must have been disappointed at his second worst election result during his 10-year leadership. Of 390 valid votes he received only 241, with 127 delegates voting against him and 22 abstaining. He was the only candidate for the leadership.

His supporters and associates also did badly. Herr Wolfgang Mischnick, the party floor leader, and Herr Jurgen Morlock, head of the Baden-Württemburg party and a possible successor to Herr Genscher, suffered sharp rebuffs in their reelection to the party executive.



Mr David Steel: Addressed delegates.

The liberals insisted during their debates that they would show continuity and responsibility in partnership with the Christian Democrats, but said they would not support a complete change in government policy, especially in foreign policy. They saw their job as stoppping the centre-right coalition from moving too far right.

Herr Genscher's announcement that he was stepping down before 1987 was criticized by Otto Graf Lambsdorff, the Economics Minister.

The liberals spoke out against the trade union's demands for a 35-hour week and called for support in the forthcoming European election. But an opinion poll in *Die Welt am Sonntag* said that the FDP now had the support of only 3.5 per cent of the voters, compared with 7 per cent at the general election last year. That would not be enough to give them any seats in Strasbourg or enable them to get over the 5 per cent hurdle needed to win seats in any state or national parliament.

● **Steel's plea:** David Steel, the Liberal Party leader, told the FDP conference: "Britain must come in from the cold. The development of a strong political partnership between Chancellor Kohl and President Mitterrand creating a two-tier Europe is not what Liberals in Britain want.

"We wish for a strong political unity in Europe with Britain as a full participant in the monetary system and the political future."

Botha fails to change course of history at Chequers meeting

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

Mr P W Botha, the first South African Prime Minister to visit Britain for 23 years, failed in his attempt at the weekend to change the course of history.

But as he took off from Heathrow after more than five hours of "comprehensive, candid" talks at Chequers, he left British officials wondering whether Mrs Margaret Thatcher had been more successful.

She is expected to make a Commons statement tomorrow on the controversial summit, which drew 15,000 protesters on to the streets of central London 30 miles away.

About 50 protesters were at the main gates of Chequers, their distant shouts drifting across the rolling green acres as Mrs Thatcher and her party strolled on to ther lawns for a post-prandial photo-call. Three members of the Greenham Common peace camp broke cover at the end of the day and ran screaming towards the departing ministers but they were quickly apprehended.

The results of the talks, also attended by Sir Geoffrey Howe the Foreign Secretary, and Mr Malcolm Rifkind, an Under Secretary at the Foreign Office, now await close analysis in Whitehall, as does the inerview given by Mr Botha to Independent Television News on his return flight to Switzerland.

But the picture which has so far emerged is one of an exchange of strongly-held views rather than dramatic initiatives, with both leaders acutely aware of the likely political reaction to any weakening in their public positions.

Most South African newspapers had some difficulty in diciding whether to give pride of place to Mr Botha's meeting with Mrs Thatcher or the Springbok's first defeat of an English rugby side on South African soil.

The two events share a common meaning for white South Africans – breaches in the wall of isolation behind which South Africa has been imprisoned for the past quarter of a century by apartheid.

They spent the morning first in tête-a-tête then in plenary session, discussing southern Africa, including Namibia and Angola, and the afternoon addressing South Africa's own internal policies and the issue of human rights.

Mr Botha told ITN that he was not offended by Mrs Thatcher's reportedly outspoken criticism of apartheid, because she inquired about internal policy in such a way that he did not see it as "unnecessary interference".

On human rights she raised the continuing imprisonment of Mr Nelson Mandela and read out the letter sent to the Queen by the people of KwaNgema in eastern Transvaal who are being foribly moved from their homes under the race laws. She also appended a stern warning against the operations of South African agents against black dissidents in Britain. Her guest listened attentively.

Contrary to some reports he did not actually ask for the London office of the African National Congress to be closed or for government blessing to buy British Aerospace Coastguarder maritime surveillance aircraft. But he implied as much and got a firm negative on both counts, as he did on any change to the Gleneagles agreement on sporting links.

So what has changed? The one subject on which there seems to have been a wide measure of agreement is Namibia, with both sides expressing their hopes for swift progress towards independence and for the withdrawal of all foreign troops from region.

There is certainly more optimism on Namibia these days than there has been for some time in Whitehall.

There is said to be some easing of atttitudes over the issue of Cuban troop withdrawal from Angola, and exactly what Mr Botha had to say about that has significantly not been divulged.

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Week of protest opens in Beirut

From Our Correspondent
Beirut

Thousands of protesters marched peacefully through the streets of West Beirut yesterday to demonstrate against the continuing Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon.

Under banners declaring that "dealing with Israel is a sin", the protest march marked the start of the "week of south Lebanon", called by Muslim religious and political leaders to coincide with the second anniversary of Israel's invasion of Lebanon.

The Israelis' preinvasion bombing raids began June 4, 1982, to be followed two days later by the advance of ground troops against fighters led by the Palestine Liberation Organization leaders, Mr Yassir Arafat.

On the eve of the protest week, which is to include a "general strike" in which schools and shops are to be shuttered today, the Prime Minister, Mr Rashid Karami, announced that he had ordered the closing of Israel's "liaison office" in the Christian suburb of Dbaye, east of Beirut.

The closure was ordered "because this office has no legal status after the cancellation of the May 17 (1983) troop withdrawal pact with Israel", he told a gathering

Lebanon cancelled the US-sponsored pact last March to clear the way for Syrian assistance in working out a durable ceasefire



A Lebanese soldier standing guard as girls taking part in the protest march against the Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon file down a west Beirut street.

Officers on bomb plot charge named

From Moshe Brilliant
Tel Aviv

The Jerusalem district court yesterday remanded for the duration of the proceedings two officers of the West Bank military government who are alleged to have been accomplices of the Jewish anti-Arab terrorists now awaiting trial.

Judge Ysrael Wiener also lifted a ban on publishing their names. They were identified as Major Shlomo Livyatan, aged 34, of Shiloh and Captain Aharon Gila, aged 35, of Jerusalem.

They admitted knowing about the plot to booby-trap the car of the Major of El Bireh in June, 1980 and of failing to inform their superiors. Suleiman Hirbawi, an Israeli sapper, was blinded in the explosion.

Major Livyatan was also charged with giving the plotters information about the homes, cars and movements of West Bank mayors whose cars were booby-trapped. He denied the charge, but acknowledged that he might have unintentionally let slip items of information

● **Rabbi attacked:** About 50 Hassidic Jews raided a synagogue in Jerusalem and assaulted Rabbi Menachem Porush, aged 68, a Knesset member, in a violent reflection of the contest inside the rigidly orthodox Agudat Ysrael party over nominations for the forthcoming parliamentary elections.

Rabbi Porush is in hospital with brain concussion



Mr Hayden: Visiting refugee camps

Khmer raids set back Vietnamese

From Neil Kelly
Bangkok

Although Vietnam has withdrawn many of its occupation troops and heavy equipment from the Thai border in western Cambodia, clashes between resistance guerrillas and the Vietnamese are continuing.

Thai military officers and resistance spokesmen say that Vietnamese artillery has shelled a resistance stronghold seven miles east of the border after hit-and-run attacks by guerrillas. An official of the Khmer Peoples National Liberation Front (KPNLF) said his forces had killed 15 Vietnamese for the loss of four of their own men.

In another attack last week Khmer Rouge forces claimed to have killed 28 Vietnamese at Moung.

Major General Pichit Kullavanich, the commander of the Thai division securing the most sensitive section of the border, has said that Vietnam will not renew its offensive against the resistance until monsoon rains end late in the year. He said Vietnamese tanks, heavy guns and other equipment had been withdrawn 20 miles east of former positions.

The Australian Foreign Affairs Minister, Mr Bill Hayden is visiting the Cambodian border today close to places where Vietnamese troops intruded into Thailand in April. He will also visit Cambodian refugees and have talks with senior Thai officials in Bangkok.

Have cash, not babies says Lee

From David Watts
Singapore

First, Singapore offered graduate mothers incentives to have more children; now ill-educated mothers are being offered the equivalent of almost two years' salary to be sterilized.

With that typically unemotional approach, Singapore aims to tackle the twin problems its Prime Minister most expects to affect it next century – too little skilled manpower and too heavy a burden on the country's tax base.

Mr Lee Kuan Yew believes the brightest and are those born of graduate parents and well-to-do backgrounds. He has little time for the hewers of wood and drawers of water.

The first stage of the policy appeared earlier this year when graduate mothers were offered all manner of benefits for producing more children, including preferential treatment in selecting schools for those children and tax reliefs.

This weekend the second part of Mr Lee's policy was announced to help, as the government put it, poorer families to break out of the poverty sub-culture.

"It's selective breeding" said Mr J. B. "Ben" Jeyaretnam, the Singapore parliament's lone opposition MP, "Social engineering at its worst. It's divisive saying that we want the children from this group of people but not from anybody else except graduate parents."

The government became concerned when the 1980 census showed that there were 37,000 mothers aged under 40 with four or more children, most of the women less well educated

The incentives will be available only to those without O-level qualifications and a low family income.

Until last year, Singapore used disincentives to try to limit all families to no more than two children. Mr Lee realized that many of the better-educated were having fewer children – a serious problem for a country determined to become a high-technology society, but with a population of only 2½ million

Marcos may drop case against foreign priests

From Keith Dalton, Manila

Two foreign priests detained in a central Philippines jail said yesterday that they were cautiously optimistic about reports that President Marcos had agreed to drop murder charges against them and six lay workers.

"We will just wait and see," said Father Brian Gore, an Australian in a telephone interview from the provincial jail in Bacolod where he, Father Niall O'Brien and the six church workers are being held in a single cell.

They have pleaded not guilty to the murder of a town mayor and four of his aides in an ambush in March, 1982, and say they are victims of a military "frame up" to expel them from the island of Negros because of their work with the poor.

"There is something in the wind", Father Gore said. Some people say the charges could be dropped on Tuesday when the trial resumes.

President Marcos telephoned the Roman Catholic Primate, Cardinal Jaime Sin, on Friday aboutthe long-drawn-out case. After their conversion, Cardinal Sin telephoned Father Nicholas Murray, the head of the Irish-based Columban Order to which the two foreign missionaries belong.

Cardinal Sin told me that Mr Marcos had promised to drop the case. The President did not say when and he did not say how, but apparently he wants the case dropped once and for all.

The Cardinal told me that President Marcos warned him tha the military could be a little vindictive if the case was dropped, and therefore it may be necessary for the priests to go on vacation. I think that probably means deportation.

Australian and Irish diplomats regularly attend the hearings and comprehensive news coverage of the trial has embarrassed the Marcos Government.

● Troops freed: The five military escorts of the Philippine opposition leader, Benigno Aquino, and 46 other military personnel confined to barracks since his murder last August are to be released by order of the panel investigating the killing.

The order came as the five commission members gathered in Los Angeles to interview 11 more witnesses, including American reporters and Filipinos, and three days after the last of the five escorts finished testifying before the panel.

Welcome in Congress for Shultz mission

From Nicholas Ashford
Washington

The surprise visit by Mr George Shultz, the Secretary of State, to Nicaragua on Friday seems likely to achieve two domestic political gains for the Reagan Administration.

It should enable the President to win congressional approval for funds for Nicaraguan rebels, and it will go some way towards insulating Mr Reagan against criticism of his Central American policies, thereby robbing the Democrats of one of their most important issues in the election campaign.

The visit, the highest level of exchange between Washington and Managua for almost three years, may also give new momentum to the stalled Contadera peace process, which, US officials insist, was the main reason for Mr Shultz's mission.

These officials cautioned, however, that the gulf between the United States and Nicaragua remained deep, saying that Washington would insist on the left-wing Sandinistas accepting a number of conditions before agreeing to stop supporting the rebels.

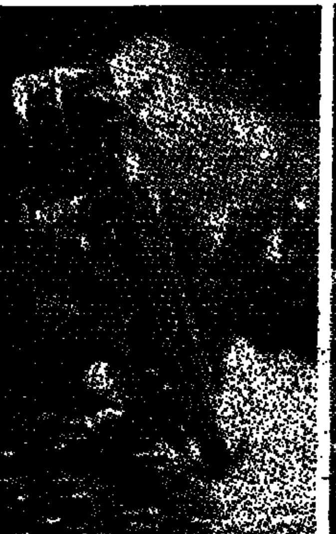
These conditions are: a halt to Nicaraguan support for left-wing guerrillas in El Salvador; removal of Soviet and Cuban advisers from Nicaragua; a reduction in Nicaragua's military forces and steps to guarantee domestic human rights.

Mr Shultz's visit was carried out at the instigation of President Miguel de la Madrid of Mexico.

Reaction in Washington to Mr Shultz's visit has been largely favourable. Although some congressmen denounced it as a cynical publicity stunt designed to win support for aid to Nicaraguan insurgents many others voiced their approval.

Representative Solarz (Democrat, New York), a leading critic of Mr Reagan's Central American policy, said it was a welcome step.

Representative Clarence Long (Democrat, Maryland), chairman of the House Appropriations Committee on Foreign operations, added: "I think there is a real possibility it indicates a willingness to deal with the Sandinistas."





Death crash: The French speedboat champion Gérard Barthélemy is thrown to his death during practice for yesterday's Paris Grand Prix.

Rebels lose 45 in Nicaragua raid

Managua (Reuter) – Hundreds of Honduran-based guerrillas attacked the northern Nicaraguan town of Ocotal but were driven off with the loss of 45 men, the Defence Ministry in Managua announced yesterday.

In the first attack on an important Nicaraguan town since cross-border raids began two years ago, about 600 rebels crossed into Nicaragua and entered Ocotal, capital of Nueva Segovia department.

Military sources said one of the four rebel commando groups involved in the raid entered the town of 16,000 people at dawn and attacked the government radio station.

Government forces reported killing the 16 rebels who staged the attack, but the sources said the radio station was off the air yesterday because of lack of spare parts. Goverment troops killed 29 more rebels as they chased the raiding party back into Honduras.

The Defence Ministry statement made no mention of government or civilian casualties but is said the rebels destroyed a food silo, a timber warehouse and other government installations.

The Honduran-based Nicaraguan Democratic Force (FDN) said last week that it was planning a big urban offensive for mid-July, to be centred on the cities of Granada, León, Esteli and the capital, Managua.

In a separate devlopment, FDN rebels attacked a border post near Somoto in the northern department of Madriz, military sources said. Rebel planes simultaneously attacked the town but were repelled by anti-aircraft fire. No casualties were reported in the attack.

● Prices law: Nicaragua's Council of State, a Sandinista-dominated advisory body that serves as a legislature, has approved a strict law to prevent speculation in prices of basic consumer items (AP reports).

The measure came after the government's announcement that it was reducing subsidies rice, beans, cooking oil, soap, salt, sugar and sorghum by 50 per cent, which is expected to bring sharp price increases.

The Internal Trade Minister, Señor Dionisio Marenco, said: "The only alternative in this crisis that confronts the nation as a result of imperialist aggressions is to distribute what little there is fairly".

Letter from Moscow

Chernenko shows he can take it

"This is overdoing it", murmured a senior western diplomat watching President Chernenko last week as he moved slowly forward in his familiar shiny blue suit to greet yet another Kremlin visitor. "Either his protocol staff are trying to kill him or he's fitter than we all think he is."

Not counting relatively minor fish such as Señor Alvaro Cunhal, the Portuguese Communist leader, or uncontroversial allies like Mr Tudor Zhivkov of Bulgaria, Mr Chernenko – who is 72 has dealt with more foreign politicians in the past month and a half than most leaders would hope to see in a year.

President Ceausescu of Romania, who arrives today, is bound to put further strai on Mr Chernenko's weakened heart. Mr Ceausescu causes apoplexy in the Kremlin every time he opens his mouth. His latest decision – not to join the Soviet block boycott of the Olympic Games – sent the Soviet leadership's collective blood pressure soaring.

It all began in a low key way in April, when Mr Chernenko was made President. Before long he was greeting President Koivisto of Finland. There are no problems in Soviet-Finnish relations and Mr Koivisto left almost immediately for the Crimea. But he was followed into the Kremlin by General Jaruzelski of Poland and Mr Chernko had to deal with the complexities of Polish politics.

No sooner had the general left for Warsaw than Signor Andreotti arrived from Rome, bearing Nato's hopes for a resumed east-west dialogue, only to be told by Mr Chernenko that the present impasse was all the fault of the United States and Moscow would make no concessions.

The Soviet leader used the same hard line and wore the same shiny suit in talks with Herr Hans Dietrich Genscher of West Germany before turning his attention to the Middle East and Colonel Rifaat al-Assad, vice-president of Syria. Next week Soviet block leaders arrive *en masse* for the first Comecon summit in 13 years.

All this activity is designed to prove to the world that Mr Chernenko is in charge. When he came to power in February he was widely dismissed as the late Mr Brezhnev's factotum, a man of straw compared to "iron Yuri", the ruthless and astute President Andropov. Yet doubts linger, with western diplomats insisting that Mr Chernenko really is a figure-head who reads out prepared texts while the hard talking goes on elsewhere. The real power, they say, lies with Mr Gromyko and Marshal Ustinov, the foreign and defence ministers.

For most Russians, now enjoying the short Moscow summer, Mr Chernenko's hectic programme proves nothing much about the Kremlin power stakes. It means only one thing: Moscow traffic snarled up more often and more spectacularly, as columns of official limousines and police outriders thunder down the broad boulevards. Some Muscovites can be heard to mutter that this arrogant and imperial lifestyle accords strangely with the Soviet regimes proletarian origins.

The biggest success so far has been King Juan Carlos of Spain. Queen Sofia was judged elegantly dressed but – as one middle-aged woman said – "Not nearly as regal as Mrs Thatcher". Perhaps Sir Geoffrey Howe should wear something a little more *outré* than usual when he joins the queue to Mr Chernenko's door next month.

Richard Owen

Fresh hope for end to car strike

Stuttgart (Reuter) – Fresh talks aimed at ending the wave of strikes and lockouts that has paralysed West Germany's car industry are to begin here tomorrow, a metal industry spokesman said.

The date for resuming negotiations, which collapsed last Tuesday, was fixed in a telephone call between representatives of the employers' federation Gesamtmetal and regional leaders of the giant industrial union, IG Metall. The dispute is now in its fourth week, with about 300,000 workers on strike, laid off or locked out.

Bandit killed

Delhi (AP) – Police pursuing bandits who massacred 15 villagers in northern India killed one of the gang's leaders in a gun battle, but the hunt went on for Kusuma Nain, the bandit queen, who ordered the executions last week in Asta village. The man shot dead was said to have been her lover, Shri Ram.

Grenada wish

Plymouth, Montserrat (Reuter) – The seven-nation Organization of Eastern Caribbean States, ending a two-day summit here, said it did not want to see a left-wing government in Grenada again, but there would be no interference in the democratic process.

Volcano erupts

Tokyo (AP) – Mount Sakurajima erupted yesterday, blanketing the southern Japanese city of Kagoshima with volcanic ash. Vibrations shattered windows in an observatory at the foot of the mountain. A member of the staff was injured by broken glass.

Ocean haul

Kuala Lumpur (AP) – Malaysian Navy divers have salvaged 29 elephant tusks, 47 iron objects, 139 tin ingots, 43 pieces of ceramics, 11 ropes and 11 pieces of wood from the Dutch East Indian ship Risdam, which sank off Mersing in 1727.

Taiwan flood

Taipei (AFP). – At least 26 people died and 11 were missing after torrential rainfall battered northern Taiwan, flooding much of the capital. Nine people were killed by an explosion in a propane gas store, as crowds rushed to buy fuel after a power failure.

Panama delay

Panama City (Reuter) – Panama's municipal elections, due to have been held yesterday, have been postponed until next week because, officials said, "the voting papers have not all been printed".

Fans' penalty

Rome – Three young Liverpool fans, involved in a brawl before last Wednesday's European Cup final, were given four months' suspended prison sentences for possession of knives.

Pisa plunge

Pisa (Reuter) – A French tourist died when he fell from the first platform of the leaning Tower of Pisa, which has no guard rail.

Pastora says right-wing campaign led to attack

Caracas (Reuter) – Señor Edén Pastora, the Nicaraguan rebel leader, said yesterday that a bomb which wounded him at a news conference could have been planted by the extreme right or the extreme left.

But Señor Pastora, speaking on television from a Venezuelan hospital, said Soviet allegations that the CIA set off the bomb because he did not obey its orders were ridiculous.

The bomb at a press conference on Wednesday just inside southern Nicaragua killed five people and wounded 28.

A member of the Nicaraguan Government, Señor Sergio Ramirez, has said the bombing arose from internal quarrels among rebel groups.

Señor Pastora, whose organization, Arde, operates from Costa Rica, said he had been under increasing right-wing pressure to join forces with US-backed guerrillas operating from Honduras. "In the past three months we have received no aid, not even a pair of boots or a uniform", he said.

The extreme right had put about false stories of supposed divisions in his group, he said. "There was a campaign to make me appear the only obstacle to unity in Nicaragua and this led to the assassination attempt."

Señor Pastora was flown from Costa Rica in a Venezuelan private aircraft, and surgeons operated yesterday on leg fractures caused by the blast. They said he had burns on 40 per cent of his body. A Venezuelan doctor who attended him on the flight described his condition as "quite satisfactory" and said he expected him to make a relatively quick recovery.

● GAINESVILLE: Susan Morgan, the British reporter who was injured in the blast, was reported to be in a critical but stable condition after a five-hour operation here (AFP reports).

Miss Morgan, was said to have been left without help for seven hours after the attack. She was flown to Florida on Friday.

Zhao starts trade talks in Belgium

Brussels (AP) – Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Chinese premier, has begun a three-day visit to Belgium for talks about trade relations. He will be meeting Belgian government and business leaders, and EEC officials.

Mr Zhao's visit is part of a six-nation European tour which began in Paris last Wednesday and is due to end in Italy on June 16. During his talks in Belgium, Mr Zhao, who has led the campaign to upgrade China's backward economy, is expected to emphasize the importance of foreign investment in his country.

His European tour coincides with new measures to lure foreign investment, with 14 Chinese coastal cities now adopting tax concessions and other free-enterprise incentives to attract foreign capital

The official part of Mr Zhao's visit starts today, when he is due to meet the Belgian prime minister, Mr Wilfried Martens.

Forest disaster blamed on peasant farmers

From David Watts, Singapore

One of the world's worst ecological disasters in this century was most probably caused by man.

The huge forest fires that raged through remote parts of Kalimantan, Indonesia in the last two years were caused by peasants involved in slash and burn agriculture, according to the Indonesian Government. The fires took hold because of the extraordinary drought in those areas.

Details of the extent of the damage are only now emerging with the cost of the disaster, estimated at between £1 billion and £6 billion. But the ecological cost is incalculable with the destruction of 3.6m hectares of rain forest which is vital to the maintenance of the world's climate.

German experts who have surveyed the area say that about 50 per cent of the trees have been destroyed, including giant mahogany, evergreens, plants and vines. Countless animals are thought to have been destroyed, including bears, leopards, deer, pigs and civets. Birds and insects have also been wiped out and though no full scale survey has yet been carried out, it is possible that some species have been terminated.

A Harvard ecologist, Dr Mark Leighton, who studied the area before and after the disaster said it was an historically important landmark because of the destruction of what was previously thought to be a stable ecosystem. It would cause all types of ecosystems to be looked at in a new light.

It is now clear that in some areas the fires burned intermittently for more than a year.

As the atmosphere dried many trees and plants shed their leaves to reduce loss of liquids. The leaves fell to the forest floor, dried out and took fire causing the creation of a low-lying "ceiling" of smoke and dust that sealed in the tropical heat and created a wind-tunnel effect which fanned a super-hot fire

But the fires will create an extraordinary scientific opportunity to watch an entire new ecosystem develop.

In many areas the dead forest has started to regenerate itself with new plants that will change its whole character.

North Korea joins Olympics boycott

Los Angeles (AP) – As the final deadline approached for countries to declare their participation in the Los Angeles Olympics, North Korea announced that it would boycott the Games. It is the 13th nation to join the Soviet Union in the walkout.

Already a record 132 nations are committed to sending teams, as the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee waited for eleventh hour confirmations or withdrawals.

Nine countries remained in doubt. Chad, the Seychelles, Burma, Madagascar and Upper Volta sent verbal commitments, but Angola, Jordan, Lestho and Somalia had not been heard from.

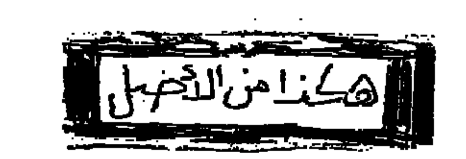
North Korea, citing the Soviet line, said its withdrawal was based on concern over the athletes' safety in Los Angeles and a failure to form a joint Olympic team with non-communist rival South Korea.

Under by-laws of the international Olympic committee, nations planning to compete were required to declare by June 2.

North Korea joins Afghanistan, Bulgaria, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Ethiopia, Hungary, Laos, Mongolia, Poland, South Yemen, the Soviet Union and Vietnam in refusing to attend.

● SEOUL: South Korea yesterday notified the Olympic organizing committee that it was sending its own team to the Games after the failure to form a joint squad with North Korea

Mr Chung Ju-Yong the South Korean Olympic Committee chairman said he regretted having to send in a separate list and that North Korea had "completely shattered our expectations".



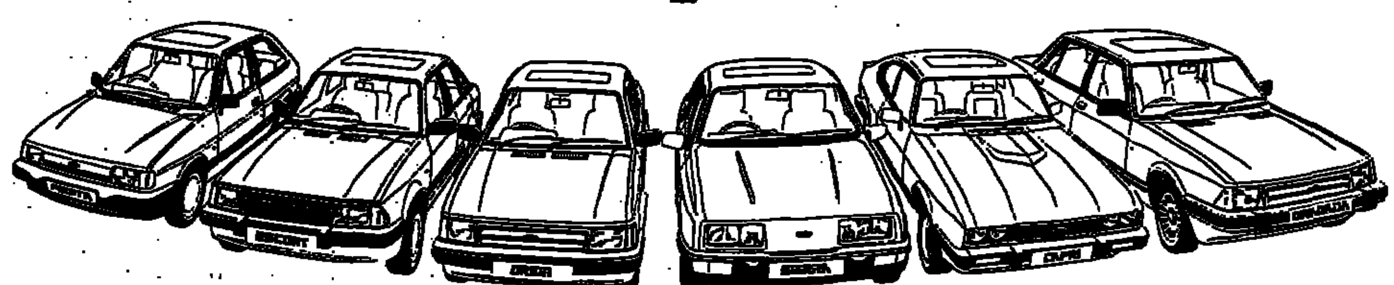




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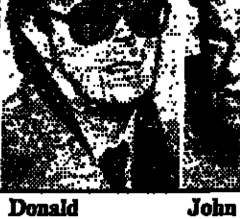






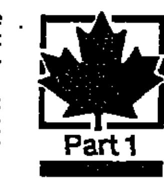
Seven contenders to succeed Trudeau






John Turner, 54, company director, ex-minister. Jean Chrétien, 50, Minister of Energy and Mines. Donald Johnston, 48, Minister of State, Economic Development. John Munro, 53, Minister of Indian Affairs. Mark MacGuigan, 53, Minister of Justice and Attorney-General. John Roberts, Minister of Employment and Immigration. Eugene Whelan, 60, Minister of Agriculture.

Turner and Chrétien lead the field



This is a big political year for Canada. On June 16 the Liberals elect a successor to Mr Pierre Trudeau, the Prime Minister. At a convention in Ottawa, 3,500 delegates will choose between seven candidates. In the first of two articles, Trevor Fishlock reports on the race, the contenders and the coming general election battle with the Conservatives.

Mr John Turner, for nine years the prince in exile, is out to claim his inheritance: leadership of the Liberal Party, which has run Canada for most of the past 50 years. Long regarded by many as heir apparent to Mr Trudeau, his old rival, Mr Turner is ahead in the polls, but by no means home and dry. There are still many uncommitted delegates going to the leadership convention and the fight could be close.

Mr Turner, whose talent, charm, and blue-eyed good looks earned him, years ago, the journalist label of Golden Boy of the Liberals, could yet be unhorsed by Mr Jean Chrétien, the popular and engaging Energy Minister. The thunder of the other hooves is distant.

The struggle between the two leading contenders, which started soon after Mr Trudeau's resignation announcement on February 29, is absorbing. The men have sharply different qualities and appeal. But in the end the convention will doubtless turn on the cool calculation of who is more likely to keep the Liberals in power in the coming general election battle against the strongest Conservative challenge since the 1950s.

Mr Turner, born in England 54 years ago, became an MP in 1962 and fought Mr Trudeau for the party leadership six years later. Their relationship was never warm and reached its nadir in 1976, when Mr Turner, then finance minister, resigned.

It was a clash of egos. Mr Turner took himself off to the corporate towers of Toronto, a retreat for which some Liberals have not forgiven him, and bided his time.

Mr Trudeau gave notice that he was quitting, after 16 years of leadership, at a time when Liberal fortunes were low and the Conservatives, under Mr Brian Mulroney, their new leader, were bushy-tailed and far ahead in the polls.

Mr Turner, reemerging, found his political armour rusty. He made some gaffes. He slipped badly on the French language question in Manitoba and in Quebec and had to apologize to Mr Trudeau after giving an account of his resignation which called forth an icy statement from the Prime Minister's office saying Mr Turner had misrepresented the facts.

Mr Turner looks good on television, but he has not responded to some of the questioning with confidence. He thinks the press has been rough on him, but the press thinks that, as he is the man most likely to become the seventeenth prime minister, he should come under close scrutiny. Mr Turner may have concluded that journalism, as well as politics, has changed since 1976.

He has, in any case, become more cautious, anxious not to trip on the final stretch, putting more faith in meeting people and shaking their hands: *La politique tactile*, as he says in his elegant French.

Mr Turner is smooth and urbane, the very picture of the successful corporate lawyer. Mr Chrétien, who is 50, and has been an MP for 21 years and a minister for 16, is an earthier sort than Mr Turner, a Quebecker of humble background, a "nice guy", but to some minds, lacking enough authority.

He represents the politics of passion, Mr Turner of the head. Mr Chrétien is a Trudeau man and offers continuity, Mr Turner has distanced himself from the Trudeau style and promises change, even if vaguely. Mr Chrétien would be another French-Canadian leader, going against the Liberal tradition of alternating leaders from French and English stock.

But the key question for the convention will be: who is more likely to beat Mr Mulroney? Recent polls show the Liberals narrowing the Tory lead. One shows that Canadians prefer Mr Turner against Mr Mulroney. On the other hand, Mr Mulroney fares better against Mr Chrétien.

The influential party elders, who have about a third of the convention votes, are said to be favouring Mr Turner, but not by a wide margin.

Tomorrow: The glittering prize

Ugandan massacre toll rises to 87

From Charles Harrison, Nairobi

The death toll at Namugongo, where government troops killed and robbed civilians after a guerrilla attack 10 days ago, has reached 87, according to local residents.

Earlier reports put the figure at around 20, but since then more bodies have been found at the town, which is nine miles east of Kampala. Last week, the Uganda government took the unusual step of admitting that their troops were responsible for some of the deaths, and ordered the arrest of those involved.

The dead included the principal of the local Anglican theological college and the sheikh of the Namugongo mosque. Many children died in what survivors say was an indiscriminate attack by men in army uniform, who burnt and looted houses and killed cattle and other animals.

No clear details of the guerrilla attack on Uganda's ground satellite station have emerged, but a government announcement says the guerrillas tried to blow it up.

There had been no guerrilla activity in this area for many months, but a small group could have launched the attack to try to create insecurity.

Last week, the Anglican church magazine, *New Century*, called for talks between Uganda's opposing political groups, and deplored the fact that ordinary Ugandans were still being hunted down by gunmen.

The article said that no-one would ever know how many innocent Ugandans had been eliminated in cold blood by unidentified assailants. It also criticised the pervading corruption in Uganda.

Namugongo is the site of an execution ground where more than 30 Ugandans were ceremonially burnt to death nearly a century ago for refusing to renounce Christianity. Thousands of Christians made an anniversary pilgrimage there yesterday.

Wage curb plea to workers in Poland

From Roger Boyes Warsaw

For the first time in postwar Poland, 800 ordinary workers were invited at the weekend to attend a normally closed session of the Communist Party's policy-making Central Committee, to hear an impassioned and unpopular appeal from the leadership for greater wage restraint.

Wages have become the prime problem in the Polish economy, so it was no surprise that the theme dominated the party meeting, which was held in Lodz, the cradle of Polish socialism. Under economic reform measures factory managers have a large degree of discretion in raising the wages of workers to stimulate production. But speakers at the plenary session said that wage inflation of about 25 to 30 per cent was threatening to sabotage other aspects of the reform.

To show that it meant business the party leadership had, just before the Lodz meeting, dismissed one of its brighter stars, Mr Stanislaw Closek, from his post as Minister of Labour and Wages.

Three main points emerged from the session, which was attended by the full Politburo, including General Jaruzelski. The first was that the party needed more workers; only 40 per cent of the 2.2 million members were workers and even this overstated the proportion of manual workers.

The Politburo ideologist, Mr Tadeusz Porebski, reading out the leadership's assessment, said: "It is the party's most significant task to rebuild fully and consolidate ties with the working class and nation".

The second point was criticism of both hardline Marxists in the factories, who have been urging more "egalitarianism" (and thereby undermining the economic reform) and the Solidarity underground, which has been pressing workers to resist joining the new trade unions. The underground leaders, the Politburo said, were "false friends"

But the main aim was to explain to the workers, symbolized by the 800 "guests" at the Lodz session, that they could make or break the economic reform. Higher wages Mr Zbigniew Szalajda, the economic expert and Deputy Premier, said would mean higher prices. The only way the reform could succeed was with minimal increases in wages, improved quality of products and a boost in export performance.

Gandhi sends troops to counter Sikh grain blockage in Punjab

From Kuldip Nayar Delhi

The movement of trains and other vehicles was stopped in Punjab as Sikh rebels fanned out across the state and the union territory of Chandigarh to prevent the movement of grain.

That terrorists have not been daunted by the Army sent in on Saturday by Mrs Gandhi, the Prime Minister, is evident from the fact that at least 12 people were killed overnight and 15 were seriously injured in several gun battles in the state. On Saturday 14 people died, including a Punjab Janata Party leader. About 350 have now died in the communal violence.

Sant Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, leader of the extremist faction of the Akali party, said that 100,000 Sikhs were being deployed in Punjab and "they were ready to be beheaded".

Sant Harchand Singh Longowal, the moderate Akali chief described the deployment of troops as a "terrible blow to the peaceful and democratic agitation of the Akali Dal".

The Communist Party of India (M) has expressed the fear that conditions in the state would deteriorate still further. A Janata MP has asked for a early session of parliament.

A communiqué issued by the Home Ministry on Saturday said that troops had taken control in the state at the request of the Governor in view of increasing terrorist violent.

The whole state has been declared a restricted area and outsiders must obtain special permission from the Home Ministry to enter it.

The action has been taken to prevent the Akali non-cooperation campaign, which was due to begin yesterday. Under the programme the movement of food grains to other states from Punjab, India's "breadbasket".

In a broadcast to the nation on Saturday before the troops moved in Mrs Gandhi, said that the firmest steps would be taken to put down violence and sabotage. She appealed to the Akalis to call off the disturbances and resume negotiations.

Sant Longowal, in a statement from Amritsar, rejected the appeal and said that there was no change in the party's programme of blocking the movement of food grains. He described Mrs Gandhi's statement as "distortion of facts" about the Akali campaign and alleged that all telephone lines to the Golden Temple complex in Amritsar had been disconnected.

He appealed to Sikhs to observe June 10 as a protest day against the "indiscriminate" firing around the Golden Temple complex where 10 people were reported to have been killed on Friday and Saturday in exchanges of fire between the Sikhs inside the temple and the central reserve police force.

European Notebook

Britain out on a language limb

Should migrant children be taught their mother tongue at the taxpayers' expense? It is a moral question with an expensive answer, which will concentrate the minds of EEC education ministers when they meet in Luxembourg today.

In another room, finance ministers will be having somewhat less difficulty with the question of economising on the Community budget. All agree on the need for cheeseparing, although some seem more prepared than others to leave the Community nothing but a tough, containing rind.

It is in the case of migrant children that the British Government gives a prime example of where it thinks the line should be drawn between public or Community spending and private support. In 1976, when the Community had plenty of spare cash, the education ministers decided to set up pilot projects on the best way to educate migrant children. The view was that any danger of "rivers of blood" would best be countered through education which integrated children into their new, European environment.

Not surprisingly, the results show that special facilities for migrant children are a good thing, particularly at a very young age. The report suggests that it would be even better if they were extended to preschool groups.

It comes down strongly in favour of making teaching in a child's mother tongue and culture available, particularly to the younger age group. This should be continued into secondary education

The report argues that this not only gives the child a sense of identity and a solid base, but also means that, if the child returns to the home of its fathers, it will have much less difficulty re-integrating. These are all points to be discussed by the ministers today, when a new set of pilot projects is meant to be agreed.

But Britain has put down a firm marker that it is not keen on providing mother-tongue education to its migrants, whatever the rest of the Community may think. In a declaration tabled for the meeting, it says it is possible to argue that "the maintenance of cultural minorities is private affair".

Teaching must take into account children from a different cultural background, but "the first task of the school is to prepare all the children fully for the adult society that they will most probably meet.

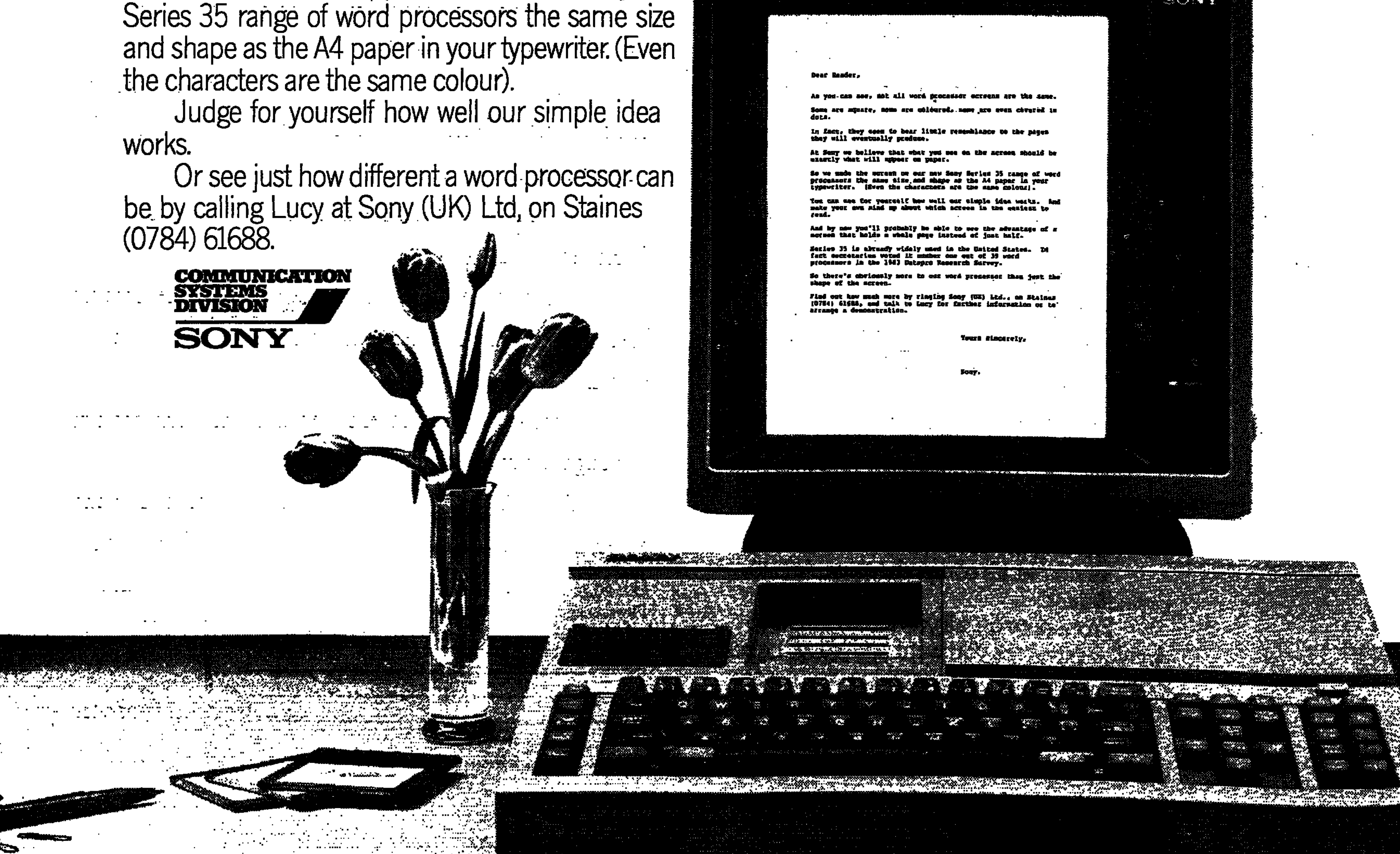
"That includes the fact of giving the pupils access to the fundamental values of Western democracies and an understanding of the traditions and national institutions. The United Kingdom does not want to impose, through the intermediary of the state mechanism, a simplist approach giving equal weight to a certain number of co-existent and perhaps contradictory cultural values."

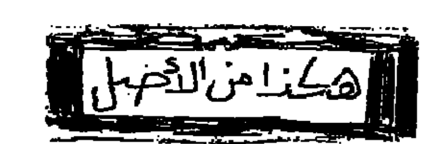
The one concession is that Britain does accept the role of schools in creating a basis for understanding different cultures.

Fewer than 3 per cent of migrant children in Britain receive teaching in their own language in the way suggested by the report on the pilot scheme and the Government clearly does not wnat to increase the number. The only way to do so would be to "privatize" it, with the Government paying a smaller share of the cost.

Less than 2 per cent of national budgets goes to the EEC and the Government is clearly reluctant to increase the amount. The only way would be for Britain to pay a smaller share.

Ian Murray

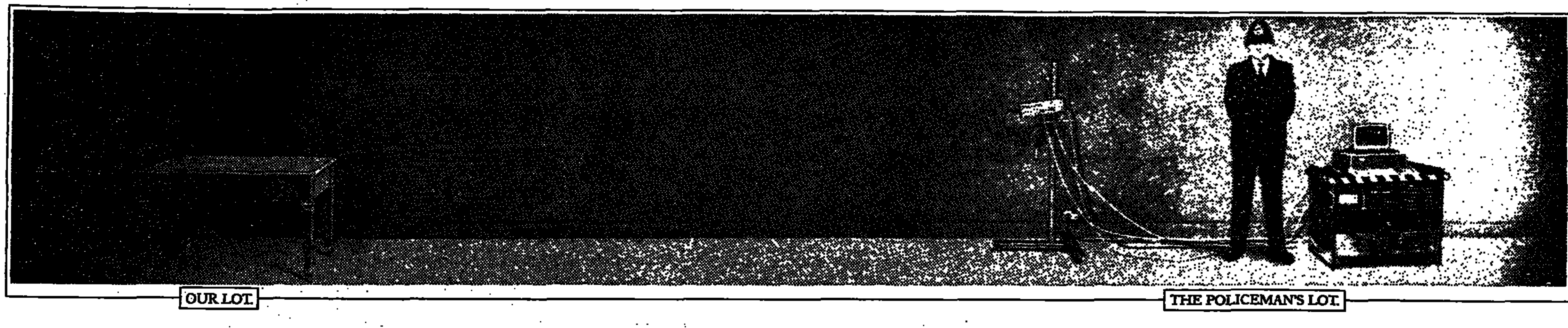




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It began early in June last year, when a lady living in North Wales came to London to have lunch with her daughter – and to visit Christie's.



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An impending move to a smaller house meant less room for her furniture. It also meant large removal expenses, and so she had decided to sell the desk.

At Christie's she was introduced to Hugh Roberts, head of the furniture department.

They had never met before.

Yet the name of one man was very familiar to both of them: Jean-Henri Riesener.

During the 18th century Riesener had been the most famous cabinet maker in France – courted by the rich, favoured by Royalty, admired and envied by his rivals.

After examining the photograph Hugh Roberts agreed with the owner that her desk certainly appeared to be by Riesener – and was possibly one of his finer pieces.

His keen professional instincts aroused, Mr Roberts arranged to go to North Wales and look at the desk itself. To the owner's delight, the visit confirmed his suspicions.

One clear – or rather, totally unclear – fact stood in the way of complete authentication.

On the desk was a mark which looked as if it had once been an inventory number.

It was now absolutely illegible, but Christie's were determined to decipher it. Arrangements were made for the desk to be brought to London.

And that is when the police were called in.

Hugh Roberts, in the nicest possible way, is known to someone at Scotland Yard.

He asked his acquaintance there if the Forensic Science Department could help with the inventory number.

The answer, surprisingly, was a simple yes – with the aid of a technique normally used to help solve serious crimes.

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With this final clue to go on, a research assistant in Paris tracked down an entry in the Royal Furniture Inventories in the Bibliothèque Nationale, which provided conclusive details of the desk's history.

It had been one of Riesener's more interesting commissions, coming in 1789 from Madame Sophie de France, the sixth daughter of Louis XV.

Riesener made a desk to Madame Sophie's specifications, which was duly delivered to her at Versailles.

Three years later, however, Madame Sophie died and her Appartements at Versailles were acquired by the famous Marie Antoinette.

Exercising her somewhat capricious nature, this lady had the rooms completely refurbished.

Madame Sophie's desk was moved out and vanished into obscurity. Which, considering the events of the next few turbulent years, was probably quite a good thing.

Back in the public eye in 1983, the desk was sold by Christie's for £240,000.

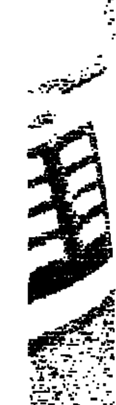
The sale meant a return to its original home, because the buyers were none other than the Curators of the Palace at Versailles.

Scotland Yard's forensic equipment went back to investigating more orthodox cases.

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THE ARTS

Photograph of Margaret Harris by Bob Workman

Irving Wardle celebrates the work of the octogenarian theatre designer Margaret Harris

Creating a world where the text can flourish



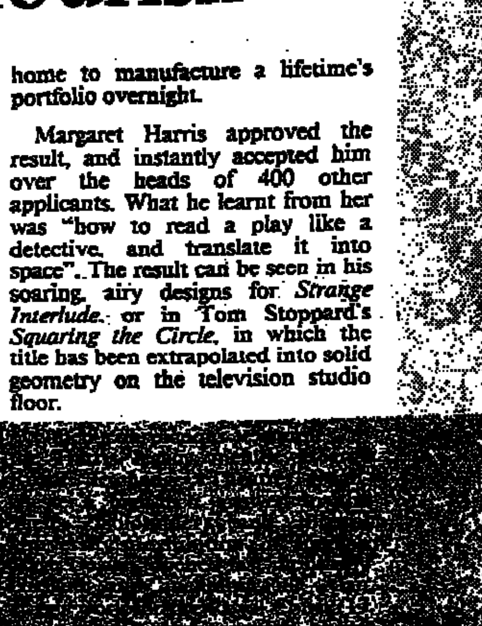
If the word "tradition" means anything when applied to the modern English stage, it means the network of theatrical families that have managed to resist careerist temptation and pursue their own lines of work. It happens that the hardiest of these families have usually been held together by women. Subtract the contributions of Lilian Baylis, Elsie Fogerty, Ninette de Valois, Marie Rambert and Joan Littlewood (not to mention such latter-day theatre mums as Ann Jellicoe and Thelma Holt), and our national stage would look like a smile with the front teeth knocked out.

Among this heroic company, none would leave a bigger gap than the designer Margaret Harris, who has just celebrated her eightieth birthday. It is hard to know where to start with Miss Harris, if only for the reason that nobody except the ever calls her Miss Harris. To friends and colleagues she is "Percy"; while, to the audiences who have been following her work for over half a century, she vanishes into the group personality of "Motley". Over the same period she has exercised a decisive influence upon hundreds of careers, and the roll-call of her past students amounts to a directory of leading designers.

The little first-floor office she now occupies in the Riverside Studios marks the latest episode in a story that began at the turn of the 1930s when three sheltered art-school girls – Margaret, her sister Sophie and their friend Elizabeth Montgomery – were talent-spotted by Gielgud and catapulted into designing his *Richard of Bordeaux*, with resultant impact on the theatregoing public comparable to that of the Ballets Russes.

That set the seal on their partnership with Gielgud, which lasted until the war and turned their St Martin's Lane studio into an unofficial Garrick Club. So much for glamour. At the same time, another fiercely demanding partner had arrived on the scene in the person of Michel Saint-Denis, who entered into a fitfully brilliant alliance with Gielgud (famously in the Motley-designed *Three Sisters*) and established his own austere power-base in the London Theatre Studio.

Saint-Denis was like the North Wind bracing to some, unendurable to others. To Margaret Harris (as to George Devine, then the Motleys' business manager) he was the bringer of revelation. Motley began with a crusade against the fuss and extravagance of English stage design. "We wanted to get rid of all the brocade and ribbon [illegible] things cleaner and clearer [illegible] What Saint-Denis [illegible] that the designer's business was not to decorate the stage and beautify the actors, but to create a spatial world that corresponded to the text. The primary skill of the designer was the ability to read. If it sounds a platitude in the 1980s, that only proves how fully it has been accepted.



The other two Motleys, both with markedly decorative talents, may have had reservations about it. But to Margaret Harris, the most robustly practical of the trio, it became the cornerstone of her work.

Claiming to be no teacher, she has been working with students for almost 50 years: beginning as Saint-Denis's head of design at the LTS and his postwar Old Vic Theatre School, then launching the Theatre Design Course of the English National Opera in alliance with Stephen [illegible] that generation, who [illegible] the West End and at Stratford. And the same process continues at Riverside, which she finds a much happier base than the ENO: "We're inside a theatre and everyone's interested in us, which is better than being tolerated".

Manning the switchboard, joining stage crews of visiting companies, this year's group (10 young painters, sculptors and theatre workers selected from around 150 international applicants) are immersed in the life of the building, which periodically brings their work before the public. One spectacular example is the production of *Moon for the Misbegotten* which Brien Vahey – as a student – designed for Riverside before its transfer to the Mermaid and Broadway (where it will shortly [illegible] Hollywood [illegible] Roman Szendzikowski [illegible] himself at the Old Vic School, found out what they wanted, and went home to manufacture a lifetime's portfolio overnight.

Margaret Harris approved the result, and instantly accepted him over the heads of 400 other applicants. What he learnt from her was "how to read a play like a detective, and translate it into space". The result can be seen in his soaring, airy designs for *Strange Interlude*, or in Tom Stoppard's *Squaring the Circle*, in which the title has been extrapolated into solid geometry on the television studio floor.

[illegible] young organization with family links stretching far into the past, and bringing [illegible] survivors like Suria Saint-Denis and Elizabeth Montgomery [illegible] Motley) into working contact with the kind of ripening student [illegible] from which it all began.

Opera

Aida
Covent Garden



Captain and priest: Pavarotti (left), Burchuladze

Saturday was an unhappy day all round for the Royal Opera House. It marked Luciano Pavarotti's return to opera in London, at seat prices massive enough to match his frame, in a new production of Verdi's *Aida*. All seemed set fair: Pavarotti had a series of acclaimed Radameses in Vienna and an equally applauded recital at Covent Garden behind him. But on Friday a throat infection struck and, with no other Radames of suitable calibre available, for much of Saturday the performance looked in jeopardy. But Pavarotti, perhaps mindful of a previous cancellation here, boldly and bravely decided to sing.

He could – and should – have been accorded a more appreciative reception from a chill house at the end of the evening. But the audience might well have been dismayed by what had been happening around their Radames, including a performance in the title role from Katia Ricciarelli way below the level required from an international opera house and a production by Jean-Pierre Ponnelle that all too frequently lost its direction.

Ponnelle rarely shows at his best in London. His keen imagination and musicianship are sometimes allied to ideas which are best left on the drawing board, and all too many of these were on view at Covent Garden. Ponnelle's idea of staging a flexible, swiftly-moving *Aida* broken by only one long interval is admirable, but the way he sets about it is distinctly questionable. All ceremonial is removed from the stage: no processions, no trophies of war. The Act II ballet – no choreographer credited – is performed by gymnastic moppets, who arrive walking on their hands rather than their feet for no very good reason.

In cutting out the pomp Ponnelle has sliced off the part of Verdi's grand opera which is about the public display of power. And, in a version which regularly ignores the stage directions of Ghislanzoni, he removes the exoticism and religiosity which are also part of both plot and score. Those who want to sniff the incense as Radames and the Egyptians pray to Phtha for victory will sniff in vain; and those who seek a touch of the mysterious Orient and its swinging censers, as generations of travellers did in the last century, will seek to no purpose through the very unmysterious apartments given to Amneris.

Yet for the first half of the opera Ponnelle provided himself with a series of gauzes and drop-cloths that recall those very daguerrotypes illustrating the tales of a nineteenth-century traveller. These were clumsily and noisily handled by Covent Garden's stage crew, so that one set of Memphis buildings looked as though it had been struck by a nasty earthquake. At the centre of such old-fashioned devices sits a mighty stone head – of the great god Phthà? At full face it provides an irrepressible reminder of Benny Hill in repose. The gullet opens to reveal a stone staircase and the crown rises up to provide a platform for the ruling Egyptians.

The only satisfactory act is the third, a Nile bank surrounded by reeds and bullrushes. The rest of the staging is more appropriate to a small experimental house that Covent Garden. Ponnelle's assistant, Pet Halmen, had devised some rather more attractive costumes, including a tent-shaped cloak of fairly military cut for Radames and a slinky white number for Amneris.

Pavarotti, in the circumstances of such a production and his own vocal state, gave a heroic performance. There were troubles at the top of the voice, notably in the duets with Aida in the last two acts, but in the middle register he let out the burnished notes required by every Radames and behaved throughout like a military leader.

Would that Katia Ricciarelli had matched him in strength, determination or simple power. She has shown, under Claudio Abbado, that she can sing the part on record, but this performance on stage was quite a different matter. Ricciarelli was content for most of the evening with a wispy, often tremulous thread of tone, which might have made her every inch a slave but never a king's daughter.

It was as though one of Puccini's little girls had wandered into Verdi by mistake, and it is some time since I heard an Aida where "O patria mia" ended without a hint of applause. Miss Ricciarelli, once so fine an artist, should consider whether she is singing the right roles.

Elsewhere matters were vocally much better. Ingvar Wixell moved with ease from one soldier, Belcore in *L'elisir*, to another warrior, Amonasro, in an aggressive and thoroughly secure performance. The Polish mezzo Stefania Toczyska was an equally confident Amneris and would have been even better had she had a worthy rival to tangle with.

Best of all was the Georgian bass Paata Burchuladze as a bullet-headed Ramfis, sonorous and malevolent, impassively watching his opponents destroy themselves. He will surely be back in bigger roles and so, I hope, will Marie McLaughlin, who was underparted as the High Priestess.

Zubin Mehta seemed much affected by the tensions of the evening in the pit, where there was some weak playing in the first two acts. More of the Mehta showmanship began to emerge towards the close, but for him it was a very quiet evening. There was too occasional lack of contact with the chorus, which under Johannes Mikklesen sounds to be improving in vocal health.

John Higgins

PUBLISHING

Good enough to eat

Who said, upon receipt of his very first "proper" book as a birthday present, "It smelt so good, I remember trying to eat it"? In what novel does the first recognizable detective in English fiction, Inspector Bucket, appear? What, in a fighting fantasy game raging the globe, is the generic name for any area where an adventure takes place, except in a town or wilderness, and usually underground? Why was the ascent of whatever Bonifacio Rotario ascended successfully in 1358 significant?

The answers to these questions, and thousands of other fascinating pieces of information, are to be found in what, surely, is the most enterprising publishers' catalogue ever, *The World of Penguin*. Not only is each of its 208 large pages illustrated in colour, it is almost faultlessly proof-read – apart from Irish Murdoch – and contains brief essays on individual Penguin authors; it is almost a case of "if you are not a Penguin, you are not an author".

In addition – and I can only select at random, so encyclopedic is the catalogue – there are essays on Psychology, Crossword Puzzles, Marx and Socialism, Business and Management, The Victorian Novel, Black Writing, Modern European Literature, and Sociology.

It is a cornucopia of knowledge, a reference book in itself to life and letters. At £1.00, it is the bargain of the year. What will Penguin Books, who are merely 49 years old, do when they are 50?

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The First International Feminist Book Fair takes place in London this week, from Thursday to Saturday, and is followed, slightly confusingly, by Feminist Book Week, from June 11 to 18. The fair takes place in Covent Garden's Jubilee Hall and around seventy writers from different countries will participate in readings, signing sessions, discussions, workshops and just being available, as is so often the fate of authors on such occasions.

Fifty-two "related events" will be held in London during the Festival, including a meeting on lesbian writers and one on black women writers plus a more cryptic one on "Who reviews women's books and how". Over 250 feminist and women's titles (now there's a potential trap) will be boosted during the week by UK booksellers and librarians.

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[illegible] since the [illegible] the home of David & Charles, publishers originally of books about locomotives and whose offices once were housed in the railway station. Their chairman is David St John Thomas. Jack Angell has just been promoted to deputy chairman, so with saint and member of the heavenly host in charge there is clearly faith in the future. To reinforce this, Colin Sage, palpably a wise man, has been put in charge of "fulfilment", a previously unknown publishing title.

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It is not generally known, even within publishing houses, what level of salaries are paid in the lower echelons of the trade. The book branch of the National Union of Journalists, which has members in more than thirty houses, has made available to its members a chart of relative annual salaries. A copy has reached me. There are three separate sets of figures.

The worst payers, to NUJ members with the minimum of publishing experience, and in ascending order, are Hodder & Stoughton (£5,310), Hutchinson, Harrap and Weidenfeld & Nicolson. The top four are Marshall Cavendish (£7,581), Orbis, the Schools Council and Heinemann Educational Books.

Marshall Cavendish again pay most to staff with three to four years of publishing experience (£10,153), followed by Orbis, the Schools Council, Butterworth and Nelson. The worst payers are Harrap (who do not differentiate between beginners and those with some experience), Warne and Ward Lock.

The best salary for the "highest grade" is paid by the Schools Council (£15,753) followed by Marshall Cavendish (£13,975), Butterworth and Hamlyn (both £13,125). Other houses in the league paying less include Penguin, Collins, ABP, Virago, Thames & Hudson, Cape and Janes Fighting Ships.

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Quote of the week is taken from an advertisement in *The Bookseller* placed by Milestone Publications for *Springboard for Overlord* by Anthony Kemp: "There are many books about D-Day but this is the one that the millions of people who passed through Hampshire in 1944 will want to read. Lively nostalgia. Not boring history."

E. J. Craddock

Theatre

Mrs Gauguin
Almeida

[illegible] salvage [illegible] of the lady [illegible] reduced by Somerset [illegible] *The Moon and Sixpence* [illegible] which is an [illegible] I wish she were [illegible] the line of this collective [illegible] is maddeningly oblique.

Mette Sophie Gad was a Danish Amazon who bore Gauguin five children, whisked the family back to Copenhagen when he abandoned the stock market and kept them afloat with teaching and translations, and maintained a devoted correspondence with him after he abandoned her in pursuit of higher things.

Primed with these details, it is still no easy task to keep up with events on the stage, which presents a domestic foreground backed with a fully operational set of shower baths. The first question is one of identity. Who is the middle-aged lady feeding fruit salad to a reluctant girl and reeling off a story about a mermaid? And who is this flashy opera-cloaked character haranguing a submissive companion about his prowess in the ring? The ladies are Mette and her mother, the pugilist (who never mentions this activity again) is Gauguin. And one wastes a lot of attention waiting for this basic information.

We then observe Gauguin's restaurant courtship, which consists of a competitive battle of skills (he plays more musical instruments than she does); and a troth-plighting in the form of a joint recitation of Poe's *The Raven*.

Penury closes in, and with it the sight of Donald Sumpter's arrogantly combative Gauguin shrivelling into a sullen domestic captive. But even this straightforward development is twisted awry by the sight of his repeated returns to the dinner table to be knifed to death by Mette and resurrected for another stabbing.

Helen Cooper's text is constructed largely from internal echoes and recurring images running in parallel with the actual events. I did not find that the legend of the Grail, or the further adventures of the mermaid, cast much light on the Gauguin household. And, if Mike Bradwell's production set out to rescue Mette from the claws of Maugham, its effect is only to duplicate the portrait of a cold, taciturn *bourgeoise*. The main disappointment of the night is to witness the powerfully spirited Rachel Bell subduing her forces to monosyllabic expressions of reproof and stone-walling responses to her spouse's aesthetic tirades.

Irving Wardle

Concert

BBC Singers/Poole
Christ Church, Bath

One of the special pleasures of the Bath Festival is the variety of venues it inhabits in and around the city. The Georgian gothic barn of Christ Church is perhaps not the most visually delightful of them, but it made a splendid space on Friday evening for the BBC Singers under their conductor, John Poole, to sound sonorous in a programme divided between East European music and homages to this year's anniversary trio of Elgar, Holst and Delius.

In the first half the choir's combination of naturalness and discipline brought as much wonder to an amiable set of Dvorak songs as to Rachmaninov's luminous *Hymn of the Cherubim* or to the slowly shifting thunderclouds of Ligeti's *Lux aeterna* but most curious of all, and still most beautifully sung, was a new work by Ligeti's compatriot and contemporary, György Kurtag.

Approaching 60, Kurtag has always kept a tight rein on his creative urge: the new piece is only his Opus 23, and its duration of 10 minutes makes it something of a *Götterdämmerung* among his works for length. But the force of his art is out of all proportion to its quantity, not because it is particularly dense, but rather because it is so surprisingly and refreshingly different from anything one has heard before. While obviously created by a very sophisticated musical mind, whose bearings have been set by Bartok and by Webern, it creates an effect that is naive and alive, as spontaneous and unquestionable as a folksong.

So it is with these Eight Choruses on tiny puzzles by the modern Hungarian poet Dezsö Tandori. The eight are formed into three movements, of which the first is a game of fragmentary chorales and cannons, beginning as a trio for sopranos and opening out to airy textures in 11 parts. The second movement is a quirky construct of mechanisms rippling around bare fifths, and the finale is a re-composition of earlier events with new bizarre touches: basses and altos plumbing the depths of the human voice, sopranos in manic agility, all in music drawn with its own delicate, odd logic.

Paul Griffiths

Dance

Giselle
Coliseum

Vladimir Derevyanko, who made his first appearance in Britain as guest star in Festival Ballet's *Giselle* on Friday, is a former Bolshoi dancer who has married an Italian and settled in Italy. In Moscow, although he danced *Les Sylphides*, most of his roles seem to have been more character (or at least *demi-caractère*) than classical; the only time I remember seeing him before was as the tyrant in Vassiliev's *Icarus* during a Paris season.

He has said that he wants to widen his range in the West, and he is certainly as well suited to Albrecht as most of our local contenders, even though he and the role are not ideally matched. The most notable features of his dancing are beautifully stretched feet, which make his small beats a special pleasure, and swift, light *grands jetés*, although surprisingly his cabrioles are not particularly high.

He has a somewhat slight physique and a very supple body that makes for high extensions and a perhaps exaggerated line. His performance was always agreeable to watch and conscientiously acted, but it lacked weight, both physically and emotionally. It would be far more interesting to see him, as used to happen with guests in Festival Ballet's early days, play a variety of roles over a period, and I suspect that he might look best in parts made specially for him.

Renata Calderini was his Giselle. She brings a most fetching freshness to the role, for instance in the obvious pleasure she shows in dancing for the princely hunting party. Now and again her feet looked less strong than might be wished, but that did not prevent her from bringing off some firmly placed multiple pirouettes in the first act and skimming swiftly around and across the stage in the second. A touching, though not overwhelming, performance.

John Percival

Television

In their element

Melvyn Bragg described the subject of last night's South Bank Show (LWT), Ivy Compton-Burnett, as "one of our most unusual novelists"; and, perhaps in homage, Jack Bond provided a most unusual treatment of her *Elders and Betters*. In large part it was successful, principally because Mr Bond carefully maintained the almost incantatory effect of Compton-Burnett's dialogue – in fact there were times when it seemed closer to verse drama than to conventional fiction, nearer to *The Family Reunion* than to *The Spoils of Poynton*. Some of the good work was lost towards the end, however, when shades of *The Exorcist* entered the picture instead.

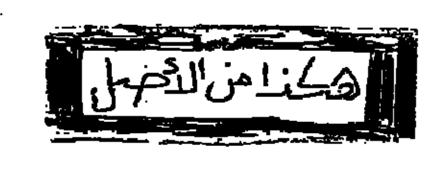
Since so much of the original narrative is couched in terms of dialogue, in fact, it transferred quite naturally to the television screen: the novels might almost be doomed to be televised and, given the capacious maw of drama departments desperate for "classics", no doubt they will experience that process sooner rather than later. But, if the acting is of as high a standard as last night's, it will not be a wholly unattractive fate: Compton-Burnett's theme of familial rivalry and guilt is certainly appropriate, since it represents the entire theory of television drama.

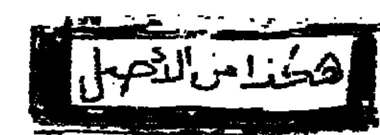
The film itself was irradiated with biographical notes and speculations, as the characters walked up and down a staircase dominated by a large photograph of the author. As a way of dealing with biography outside the conventional realms of documentary it was undeniably effective – but nevertheless it would have helped to hear a little more about Compton-Burnett herself.

Greenpeace, the subject of The Natural World (BBC 2), is so obviously a good thing and engaged in so many egregiously worthy causes that one almost begins to wish upon it the fate of Aristides the Just. In a programme devoted to extolling its members' achievements, it was of course difficult to find evidence to contradict Trevor Philpott's statement that "Part of the time, at least, they're on the side of the angels" – although the angels might not have understood the references to "spiritual experiences" with whales.

The central achievement of the organization, however, lies in its ability to manipulate the "media", since its aim has always been to capture the attention of the press and the cameras before embarking on its crusades. But it makes a perfect subject: "little Jack", as Mr Philpott put it, fighting the governments of the world and generally winning. All that, and baby seals too.

Peter Ackroyd





Rock singer and musician Van Morrison has been at the top for 18 years. But as **David Thomas** reports, neither success nor time has changed the retiring man who sees his genius as just a job

Big noise with a quiet style

When Van Morrison walks on stage at the Dominion Theatre in London this Thursday, at the start of a two-week season, he will probably be wearing his customary ill-fitting suit. His stage set will not feature the computer-controlled lighting or giant video screens favoured by most pop superstars and – if last year's performances at the same venue are anything to go by – he may spend much of the show at a piano which is placed behind the horn section in such a way as to render both it and him invisible to the audience.

Pop's current obsession with visual artifice clearly does not suit Mr Morrison and at 38 he feels no inclination to join those of his contemporaries who do their best to keep up with the times. Whereas Mick Jagger jogs miles a day to maintain the physique of an anorexic lady gymnast, Morrison remains unashamedly short and stout. Whereas David Bowie sports an impeccable suntan and a blonde bubble haircut, Morrison's looks remain true to their Belfast origins; he has bright blue eyes, a surly expression and his sandy red hair is greying at the temples – such of it, that is, as has not long since bid a fond farewell to his scalp.

He would say that such matters of appearance were utterly irrelevant. And when he sings, in a voice that can be harsh, but which is also capable of expressing a greater range of emotion more beautifully than that of any other white rock singer, it is clear that he is absolutely right. In the 18 years since he left the rhythm'n'blues group Them to launch a solo career he has pursued his own vision of Irish romanticism through jazz, blues, gospel and soul music on almost 20 LPs which constitute one of the finest bodies of work in contemporary music. En route he has influenced two generations of musicians, from Bruce Springsteen and Mark Knopfler (leader of the British group Dire Straits) through to the products of punk and beyond, such as Kevin Rowland of Dexy's Midnight Runners, whose chart-topping blend of Celtic Soul is directly descended from Morrison's own experiments.

It will come as no surprise that Van Morrison is not fond of giving interviews. His work, littered as it is with literary references and spiritual symbolism, encourages pet critical theories. But journalists looking for confirmation of their opinions are liable to find little comfort in his long silences, his nervous lighting of cigarettes and his often monosyllabic responses. As introductions were made, he seemed friendly enough, but once the interview had begun the shutters descended and a war of verbal attrition started.

I began with his childhood, references to which litter his work. The Belfast he sings about is a magical place, fit for a boy with his head full of blues music and beat poetry. But in conversation he gave out information grudgingly. Yes, he had been happy there. No, after a long pause, he had no brother or sister. He was not, he said, prepared for this line of attack. "I'm not usually asked these questions. I'm usually asked, 'How do you feel about your music now? How did you feel about it 10 years ago?' " So I asked him some more familiar questions and he said he had answered them before and didn't want to do so again.

We made progress, but slowly. For example; he has just released a live album recorded at the Grand Opera House, Belfast. The choice of his home town was surely no accident; what were his opinions on the city's troubles?

"I don't really have any comment one way or the other. I've discussed this before and I have nothing further to say." So far, so typical, but he wanted to press home his point: "What I do has got nothing to do with any political situation in Belfast. It has actually got nothing to do with my personal involvement. I write songs and that's my job. It has nothing to do with my personality."

Coming from a man whose work is more deeply rooted in his own personality than that of almost any other rock performer this was rich, but he continued on this new track none the less.

"It's a job. I get paid for it and at the end of the day it's just entertainment. I'm not supposed to be writing about me. No writer is. Your job is to create things which, hopefully, people will like, and that's what I do. Broadly speaking I'm in showbusiness. What I'm doing is working in traditional form that goes back to folk music, rhythm 'n' blues, the early 1960s etc, etc.

"The problem is that these things create a myth that what you're saying is terribly, terribly personal when it isn't. People are making a lot of money out of this myth, but I'm trying to break it down because I'm aware that these things are taken more seriously than they should be. There is no depth in what I do; if you're looking for depth read Samuel Beckett or Jean-Paul Sartre."

This sounded very reasonable, but it was not coming from the same Van Morrison whose singing, with its sudden shifts of tempo and dynamics, its fevered repetition of a single phrase and its sudden swoops into growls and scat, seems like the sound of a man determined to capture the sound of his own soul. Perhaps his stage performances were those of a practised actor.

"That's the key, actually; getting up on stage, making an album, sitting here doing an interview – it's all acting."

Paradoxically, from the moment that he said this Morrison seemed more willing to reveal his actual self, rather than the defensive face he sets towards the world. He immediately became more relaxed and more likeable.

He talked about his early years as a musician, starting at the age of 12 playing Leadbelly and Carter Family songs in school skiffle groups. At 15 he was a professional, singing and playing saxophone in local bands. He formed Them in 1963 as a house band at the Maritime Hotel in Belfast and two years later they were in the Top Twenty with "Here Comes the Night" and "Baby Please Don't Go". The B-side of the latter, a driving rhythm'n'blues track called "Gloria", with its G-L-O-R-I-A chorus was written by Morrison and has since become a standard for any aspiring young rock group, having been covered by Jimi Hendrix, The Doors, Patti Smith and a host of other artists over the intervening two decades.

Morrison was typically unimpressed by his own success: "There wasn't any meaning to me in being on the charts or being successful. The professional point of view is that you learn an instrument, play it and go through an apprenticeship. That's what it's all about. I wasn't about to be carried along by stupidity when I knew better."

In 1966 Morrison left Them and soon afterwards moved to America, where, over several records, from "Astral Weeks" and "Moondance" through to 1974's magnificent retrospective album, "It's Too Late to Stop Now", he built up an unmatched critical reputation and a substantial following that has remained loyal to him to this day. Each new Morrison LP sells close to one million copies around the world and his back catalogue continues to be popular. But the price he has to pay for the devotion of his supporters is the burden of their expectations.

"The problem is, "he said, as reluctant as ever to have too much read into his words, "that this always comes out as some tremendous struggle. But the thing about writing is that it's not easy for me just to sit down and whack out songs. To put it bluntly, there's a lot of pain involved. You have to give birth to something every year and it's very hard to live up to the constant pressure of having to come up with work that you feel honest about and is not just more titillation."

The reason for his earlier, self-deprecating "it's just a job" attitude became clear; this was a matter of self-preservation. He sounded like a man who no longer enjoyed his work. He agreed: "It has its moments and I'm grateful that I have the capacity to express things in music, but the more I'm in it the less moments it has. I'm not doing this for my ego any more. What I get out of it is based on what I write. The rest – I could take it or leave it."

So where did he get his pleasure in life? "I'm like everyone else. I get my pleasure from being extremely ordinary."

Well, not quite that ordinary. Not many other pop singers could write a half-spoken, half-sung tribute to their favourite poems, call it "Rave On John Donne" and make it work, as he has. Nor would they say that they feel linked to W. B. Yeats by tradition, as he does, and make the claim seem entirely reasonable. The song says: "Rave on Mr Yeats! Rave on down through thy holy rosy cross. Rave on down through theosophy and the golden dawn. Rave on through the writing of a vision. Rave on, rave on, rave on" – Morrison could be talking about himself.

He, like Yeats, has worked his way through religion and philosophies. Two years ago there were reports that he was working as a counsellor at the British headquarters of the Scientology movement in the Tottenham Court Road, but he says he no longer has any involvement with the cult. He describes himself as a Christian, of no particular denomination and his work is becoming increasingly preoccupied with the contemplative and the spiritual as he moves from conventional songs towards purely instrumental composition. "I'm trying to create forms that bring some inner peace and the instrumental music is supplying something for that need. You've got no attachment to what the person is saying. You've just got the music and you can meditate to it. The point is that this kind of music is needed as an autidote to all the thump, thump stuff."

This music is an antidote to all the thump thump stuff

I wanted to finish with some purely factual inquiries. Where did he live now? He wouldn't say. Nor would he reveal whether he was married. He couldn't understand why I should want to know; why was it important? I said that I just wanted to get my facts right. Was it true that he had previously been married and divorced? Yes, he said reluctantly, he supposed it was.

We had been talking for just over an hour and he clearly wanted to stop. "Haven't you got enough by now?" he asked. "The last one only needed 15 minutes." He disappeared into another room of the hotel suite. I cleared up my notebook and tape-recorder and followed him out. He seemed relaxed again, bid a friendly farewell and even proffered a shy-looking smile as I left through the door. An hour later he was seen taking a long and solitary walk through Holland Park, which is, incidentally, where his house is to be found.



Morrison: "Music has its moments and I'm grateful that I have the capacity to express things in music, but the more I'm in it the less moments it has"

Twilight life in the towns built of filth

Cairo

The largest city on the African continent and one of the dirtiest in the world relies on a primitive form of rubbish collection that has led to the creation of Felliniesque settlements on its outskirts, where some 40,000 Coptic Christians live in conditions as near as one can imagine to hell on earth.

In shanty huts built among the stinking, smoking heaps of rubbish the *zabbaleen* (rubbish collectors) have acquired an almost mythical status, rarely seen by outsiders except the occasional sociologist or charity worker prepared to risk his or her health climbing through the mounds of filth transported every day in a fleet of rickety carts.

The *zabbaleen*, or *zarrab* (pig raisers), as they are more accurately called, were originally migrants from poor Coptic villages around the town of Assiut, in upper Egypt. They first started to drift to Cairo about 50 years ago and have now grown into one of the most bizarre communities in the Middle East.

Every morning before dawn, the battered donkey carts of corrugated iron and wood wend their way down from the Mokattam hills to the heart of the city, where automated rubbish disposal of the kind familiar in most world capitals is virtually unheard of. For an average payment of three dollars a month, the *zabbaleen* will then clear waste from their clients who make up about 60 per cent of the country's 11 million inhabitants.

The rubbish is then taken back to the squalid shanty towns – some of which have streets consisting entirely of trodden down refuse – and in temperatures of nearly 100 degrees is sorted by the families of the cart owners in an environment which lacks proper sewerage, water, electricity or schools.

Some of the barefooted children involved are as young as five years old and such is the way of life of their parents, who paint crosses on their doors to signify their religion in a mainly Muslim country, that experts estimate illiteracy at more than 90 per cent. No one has yet produced accurate figures about disease caused by the insanitary conditions.

The *zabbaleen* are masters of "recycling". Giant heaps of filthy rags are turned into none too savoury rugs, piles of tins are beaten into rudimentary suitcases and every conceivable type of leftover is sorted by hand without any protective clothing. Glass and metal is sold off to the host of middlemen who operate alongside the *zabbaleen*. Whatever cannot be reused is fed to the pigs which each family owns.

Although Egyptian officials are embarassed by the indescribable squalor produced by the system, almost everyone in Cairo admits that it works.

Like Cairo's large and notorious beggar community, the *zabbaleen* are a clannish society who have proved staunchly resistant to anything but surface investigation by outsiders.

The grotesque carcasses of dead camels, pigs, dogs and goats littering the dumps which surround their homes do not encourage strangers. But during an hour long tour I found them friendly, cheerful and apparently unmoved by their surroundings.

Over the years their unique way of life has encouraged the misconception among some Egyptians that they are wilfully dirty and possibly even hoarders of secret wealth. The truth is less mysterious: in a country of grinding poverty, they are performing a vital service necessary both for their own meagre incomes, and to accomplish a nightmare task still apparently beyond the capability of modern technology.

Christopher Walker



Children of the *zabaleen*. Illiteracy is more than 90 per cent

There's a radiation leek in the valley

moreover . . . **Miles Kington**

Some readers who enjoyed our Raymond Chandler version of *Jabberwocky* the other day want to know if the computer has any other bits of interactive literature up its circuits.

Yes, it has about 10,000. Here's an extract from its Dylan Thomas version of Meryl Streep: *Under Silk Wood*, a radio play set in a small Welsh plutonium plant.

Narrator: To begin very near the end of everything. It is night, no-nonsense, nuclear night in the small plant. Down the slow computer corridors nothing winks, except the little red lights on the square machines, dreaming in their sleep of going huntin', shootin', and fission. Nothing stirs, nothing shifts on night shift, only the sighing of the wind in the flag over the front door which says "Plas Goch Plutonium" and the ghostly creaking of the kneejoints of Bill Bevan, night-watchman, fast asleep at his post.

Bevan: Who goes there? Come in and have a cup of tea.

Narrator: says Bill in his sleep, and his corned beef sandwich curls up and dies.

Listen. You can hear the people of Plas Goch breathing in and out, hoping to wake up tomorrow uncontaminated, but failing that, to wake up anyway. Under his solid lead bedspread Dai Geiger-Counter dreams of radio-activity, hoping to find a good programme.

Dai: Is that you, *Radio Moscow*? Hoping this finds you as it leaves us.

Narrator: Listen. Gwilym Thomas, retired MP, puts his arms round his wife and tries to strangle her, thinking she is Margaret Thatcher. She turns it into an embrace, as she does every night.

Thomas: Oh, Margaret! If only you weren't Tory. Couldn't you be Alliance, just for a little while?

Mrs Thomas: Be quiet, you old rogue, or I'll vote Plaid Cymru.

Narrator: And the ghosts of his past constituents float past him, worried, Welsh and wrinkled.

1st Constituent: Don't let them build it here, Gwilym.

2nd Constituent: We don't want plutonium drifting on the beaches, with the polystyrene cups and ice cream spoons.

3rd Constituent: We don't want boys building uranium sand castles.

1st Constituent: We don't want to bomb Moscow. We don't even know where it is.

Thomas: Boys, boys! This plant means jobs, money and Russian spies staying in the Cross Keys Hotel, buying rounds of vodka for everyone!

Constituents: All right – let them build it!

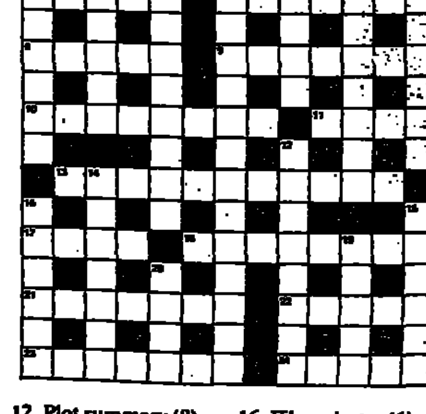
Narrator: Listen. In her neat room, hired from Mr Burton, the postman, and decorated with a poster of a pop group with huge haircuts and jeans too small, sleeps Karen, clutching her latest single. His name is Bob. She dreams of the plutonium plant where she works.

Karen: I don't want to work there. I don't want to work anywhere. I just want to ride on a big bus to London and meet a reggae man, with thighs like black puddings and hair like Welsh seaweed, who will dance with me all night and more besides.

Narrator: Listen. The sun comes up from behind the horizon, a huge astodome in the sky. If you listen very carefully, you can hear it ticking its way through the early morning cloud, soft and sinister, shining down on Plas Goch graveyard, where the tombstones stand in lines, like workers on the conveyor belt of death. Just listen . . . .

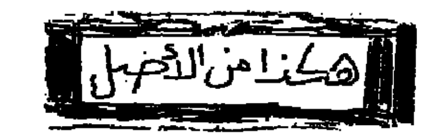
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MONDAY PAGE

Lords of the new tech manor

Computer success in Britain is reflected not in the glass of skyscrapers but rather by the stateliness of its home. Shirley Lowe investigates

Unlike their American competitors in Silicon Valley, California, who signal success by building futuristic glass and steel corporate headquarters, English computer firms have a way of disappearing down a cart track or behind the walls of a stately home the moment they make their first million.

Compsoft, for instance, is a software house hidden away in the woods beyond Guildford in Surrey and you need a computerized compass or, failing that, a friendly local to locate them. "See that brow of the hill? Well, them's the Hallams. Now, as you go over there you'll see a little lane. It's not signed up or anything. You could easily miss it. But, go down there and that's Hallam Court."

Clients clever enough to find this rural retreat are served strawberries and cream under the sunshade on the patio when the weather is nice and managing director Nick Horgan's training courses are regularly interrupted by the hunt whooping past his window. "It is sometimes difficult to lead trainees away from the morality of fox hunting and back to the complexities of computer software," he said.

The British end of Microsoft, a Seattle software and hardware company, operates from a splendid Gothic pile, commissioned by Gladstone in 1892 to house the fallen women of Windsor; the staff of the Bristol Software factory spend summer lunch breaks sunbathing on the roof terrace of their nineteenth century neo-classic mansion in exclusive Clifton; Amdahl, the US computer makers, have just paid £6m for the freehold on a 23-acre estate which includes a refurbished Grade 11 listed Georgian mansion, in which they will house their research workers; and Julian Allason, director of Applied Computer Technology and leading computer journalist, works in a computerized pig sty in the grounds of his Lutyens home.

Even Sir Clive Sinclair, whose Cambridge offices are a model of modernity, has succumbed to the country squire syndrome and is spending £2m on eighteenth century Milton Hall, just outside Cambridge, turning it into a fitting background for MetaLab, his high technology research company. "We've got the brightest brains in the land, so the least we can do is equip them with the best facilities in a pleasant environment", says managing director Richard Cutting as he oversees the planting of 23 trees and makes sure his two helipads do not conflict with the siting of the croquet lawn.

These high-tech boffins in their country idylls are showing us a pleasing view of the future when computers will make it unnecessary to have an office in the centre of the city as computing and communications technology put us instantly in touch with people around the world.

David Fraser, of Microsoft, has a computer link-up with his Seattle headquarters and uses electronic mail. "We live by telex, computer, facsimile or post", he said. "There's no reason why we should be in town."

Julian Allason, sitting in his pig sty, an elegantly white space capsule office banked by computers, sends and receives his letters by computer, taps out memos to six people simultaneously and even links into the electronic grapevine for a chat. "This 'n That", reads the heading on one of his computer printouts and, as he recalls a gossipy afterthought: "This 'n That Revisited".

Like most high-tech companies, he is situated off the M4 in that stretch between Slough and Bristol (there's another little enclave around Cambridge) which is handy for Heathrow, Gatwick, the new M25 and occasional sorties into London and nicely distanced from the more union conscious Midlands and North of England.

Not that computer people need anyone to top up their salaries or negotiate good working conditions. In a highly successful and competitive business, employers vie with each other to offer their staff a high quality of life – no commuting, no traffic wardens, no urban hassle. "People in our industry expect to be spoilt", said John Kyle Price of Bristol Software.

Logica, a £100m software, hardware and research company, has 20 offices around the world but has rented Cobham Park, the nineteenth century country seat of the Combe family, to house the staff working on their most advanced projects.

The peacocks proved a headache to Bill Key, who was head of admin and personnel in London and now runs the house and 16 acres of parkland. "They kept flying off", he said, "but I was assured by a local expert that peacocks will stay in the place where they are born and bred." So, when laying time came around, Mr Key incarcerated his birds, took their eggs away and tucked them under a broody hen. He now has more peacocks.

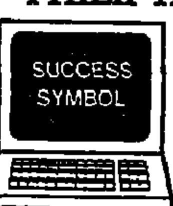
Dr David Stanley, head of Logica's aerospace group, said that the move from open plan offices in London to the closed-door seclusion of Surrey has considerably increased productivity. "Clients are not only impressed, but trapped here. It's very, very good for getting their undivided attention."





Hallam Court, a half-million coach house and, right, Cobham, with new gold leaf where the frogs once were

PHILIP HUGHES



Philip Hughes CBE, 48-year-old chairman of Logica, is an unusal tycoon. He cycles to work and back each day between Camden Town an W1, and is a successful artist. In 1969, he and four partners launched Logica, a computer software, consultancy and products company. They went public last year and now employ nearly 2,000 people, 120 of them at Cobham, the company's 16-acre Surrey estate.

"We rented it on a 20-year lease three years ago and spent half a million pounds putting right what other people had destroyed. There was a hideous pipe running up the front of the house, frogs in the basement and the previous tenants had slung neon striplights across all the ceilings. We had to get someone down here from the National Trust to repaint them in gold leaf.

"When the family lived here I believe they had 28 servants, whereas Bill Key runs the place with four and a half two groundsmen, a handy man/ electrician and a gardener/ peacock minder. I must admit that I wasn't terribly keen on the idea of Cobham Park, but the other directors were. I was wrong and they were tight."

NICK HORGAN



Nick Horgan, 37, managing director of Compsoft, (a company specializing in data based management systems for the non-technically minded) started his company three and a half years ago with his wife, marketing director Heather Kearsley.

"We began the business on our kitchen table and everything went so well that we moved to a converted farm barn.

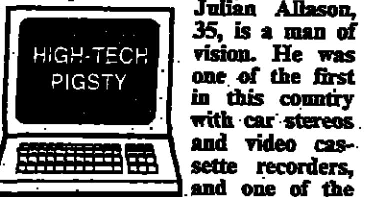
"It was wonderfully picturesque, but impractical. The pipes used to freeze up and it was so cold the computers wouldn't work. Hallam Court is a turn of the century Lutyens coach house. It cost us more than half a million to buy and it costs a lot to heat. We've been struck by lightning at least half a dozen times, which brings everything to a halt and our customers are sometimes found wandering blindly, lost on the heath.

But we have football on the lawn, jogging in the woods, and everyone on the staff walks the dogs. Most of all it's quiet, condusive to working in soft ware.

"When it snows the staff can't get up the road here, so we collect them from outside the village pub in the Range Rover.

Unfortunately, we're doing so well we need more staff and rural byelaws don't allow for expansion, but we've got our eyes on a nice manor house, with a little more land, in the next village."

JULIAN ALLASON



Julian Allason, 35, is a man of vision. He was one of the first in this country with car stereos and video cassette recorders, and one of the first in microcomputer programming. He sold that company to ACT, where he is still a non-executive director, then launched and sold a micromputing magazine. He now writes about computers and plays with them in an elegantly converted pig sty in the back garden of his Lutyens home.

"I'm loved by my neighbours because the last man to live here used the pig as a helicopter garage. I bought this house just over two years ago. It has seven bedrooms, a swimming pool, 10 acres of land and beautiful gardens and yet I can be in the offices of the managing directors of most high technology companies within half an hour. Really, the only problem I've had is putting wire around the trees to stop the deer scraping the bark off with their antlers.

"I believe in practising what I preach and most of my mail is electronic, I get press releases by micro mail and letters arrive instantly. My great-aunt in London used to send out invitations for dinner parties on the same day because they were delivered that same day. I can do the same thing by computer.

"Ive got eight computers dotted around the house which are wonderfully useful and take care of everything. They act as a sophisticated address book so I can double check contracts instantly, I've got listings of every book in my library and my wife has all her recipes conveniently computer-filed. Its all absolutely perfect except that the other day there was a power cut and our life came to a total halt."



Communications from a convent annexe

DAVID FRASER



When David Fraser, 36, managing director and general manager of the British end of Microsoft, was a young engineer in Scotland, he saved his company money by computerizing the quality control of the rubber coming out of the factory.

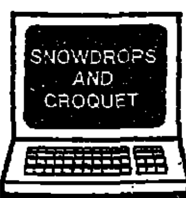
"After that I had to go to night school to learn how to use the computer. It convinced me that computing is more interesting than enginering. This company lives by telex, computer, facsmlie or post. Basically, the way we work is that a contract goes out and a seven figure cheque comes in and we don't need vast premises for that. We're in the business of communications and here in Windsor, within a working network of the M4 and M25, communication is easy.

"The house was originally an annexe to the convent next door. I understand that it was commissioned by Gladstone to house and reclaim the local prostitutes. It cost Boris a million pounds to restore the building, but the cost of the floor area is still considerably cheaper than for London premises. There's plenty of car parking space, no traffic wardens a I live just down the road. It's wonderful not having to commute".



Six acres to solve problems in – real rustic stuff

RICHARD CUTTING



Richard Cutting, 40 managing director of MetaLab, came to Sinclair Research by way of Cambridge, Harvard Business School and Arthur D Little. He has just moved his 50 strong high technology products research group into Milton Hall, an eighteenth century stately home just outside Cambridge.

"At the moment we've got a superb cook doing wonders in a portable building. The next priority on the list is to privide a decent dining room so that we can give our people good food and drink and they won't have to disappear down to the pub for lunch.

"The Eastern Electricity Board was here before us; it put prefabs in the parkland, metal windows in the house. We've has to completely rebuild the whole interior and plant trees to blot out the prefabs.

"There are six acres here. That means that if a chap needs to get away and think something through, he can take a walk around the grounds and by the time he's completed the course he'll have solved his problem. Around about where the two helipads are we're going to have a croquet lawn. An excellent game for getting rid of latent aggressions. I live in the centre of Cambridge and drive out here every day. It's delightful, isn't it? We've got snowdrops, aconites, real rustic stuff."



Micro-mail and trouble with scratching stags

PENNY PERRICK

Once upon a time, I ordered a tee-shirt from a mail-order catalogue and ever since my doormat has been flattened by the dead weight of brochures offering prettily photographed goods thoroughly inappropriate to life in Earl's Court.

What, for instance, can have possessed the purveyor of gardening products to offer me portable gazebos and gadgets for plucking apples from the highest tree? Possibly, the hope that I might buy a mud-removing doormat. Which I duly did, although the Earl's Court Road is 100 per cent mudless due to its protective covering of Kentucky Fried Chicken cartons, rotting vegetables and the odd nose-ring which has detached itself from a passing punk.

Even more unsuitable for the inner-city working wife and mother is *The Country Kitchen* catalogue, a recent arrival through the letterbox.

Some of the items are pure swank, the sort of thing that the nasties in Mike Leigh plays boast about to their neighbours. In this category is the French bread server, which makes a complicated procedure of slicing a baguette. The proper French . . . way of breaking bread, as everyone knows, is to spit on your hands and tear the loaf into ragged, delicious chunks.

More worrying is Country Kitchen's conviction that the world is peopled by women who make their own curd cheese, mould their own chocolates, and stencil the tops of their home-baked cakes. Among their domestic requirements are mushroom brushes and herb infusers, egg separators and lemon zesters, jam funnels, jelly bags and plastic thingummies for shaping Italian biscuits.

Offered this collection, I would behave as Anna Magnani once did in a film where she portrayed a woman whose husband tried to buy her love with a wardrobe-full of shoes. "How many feet-a I got?", she screamed at him. "How much-a time I got?", I would yell in sympathy, if presented with an egg wedger, or a French larding pin.

Anyone in search of a spectacular PhD thesis could do worse than seek out the reasons why, when housework, interior design and clothes are increasingly simplified, cooking becomes more and more complicated.

My mother used to go to work every day wearing a hat, gloves and a mouth so carefully painted that no one was allowed to talk while she put on her lipstick. Every stitch she wore needed ironing and housekeeping, pre-Formica, spray-polishes and biological detergents, was a lengthy business. But the meals she cooked were uncomplicated, her repertoire limited and requiring no fancy gadgetry – which was just as well since it hadn't been invented.

Today, women go to the office in jeans and sneakers, never have to put their hair in curlers and can go from cradle to grave without ever owning a cocktail frock. But they are expected to know their way around a fish steamer and a chicken brick. How did it happen?

Sir Terence Conran, who can spot a social trend even before the entire editorial staff of *New Society*, demonstrates exactly what I mean in the merchandising of his 20-year-old baby, Habitat. Every bed, bookshelf and table lamp he sells smacks of washable, wipe-clean, scaled-down, no-fuss living. Yet enter the kitchen department and you'll find the whole paraphernalia of vegatable steamers and woks.

How can women who have long ago given up blacking grates and starching antimacassars continue to emboss the tops of individual butter pots with a daisy motif? I am in no position to answer having, against all reason, ordered Country Kitchen's vertical chicken roaster, just in case I ever meet a chicken which struts about on its hind legs.

A SPECIAL REPORT

It's a gift. . .

Incentives and promotions have come a long way since the days of the giveaway plastic daffodil, the successful salesman's free weekend away and the rudimentary competition with prizes on the back of a product packet.

Gifts can range from computers and diamond jewelry to video recorders and washing machines. Incentive travel, a thank-you to clients or staff, is ranging round the most exotic destinations world-wide, often involving groups on conference trips. Prizes in competitions now can be £10,000 or more.

A myriad of companies are involved, including agencies which put together entire promotional packages for companies as well as specialists in sectors like travel.

It adds up to an industry which last year was worth in sales £4 billion, according to trade estimates collected by the Institute of Sales Promotion, (ISP). Since 1976 this below-the-line spending has exceeded that on media advertising which is above-the-line.

Last year both types of promotional spending grew at about the same rate of just over 14 per cent. But the previous year the incentives and promotional spending grew by 16.7 per cent against a media advertising spending increase of 10.9 per cent. There are expectations of incentives growth of a fifth to a quarter this year, according to ISP.

Incentives and promotions are on the increase as a way of rewarding employees and encouraging customers to buy goods and services. They add up to an industry whose turnover last year was £4 billion

Hard cash is still favourite

In the incentives and promotions sector there is a widespread belief that with media advertising rates, including television, rising there is already a marked swing to below-the-line spending. This is likely to benefit particular parts of the incentives and promotions sector.

The lion's share of the below line spending is accounted for by straight cash discounting in the shops, much of it in the grocery sector.

The various forms of sales promotion apart from cash discounting probably accounts for £300m a year, with another growing sector in food and drink sales in outlets like restaurants and public houses now amounting to at least £100m a year and probably considerably more, it is estimated in the trade.

Some steakhouse chains have been running localised promotions to build customer traffic. Among pub promotions Arthur Guinness and Son has offered in about 15,000 pubs a "Guinnie" coin with every pint of Guiness purchased; after the drinker has collected ten of the coins a free pint is then offered in exchange for them.

Incentive travel, together with the conference element, is estimated to be worth up to £100m a year.

But the wide range of business gifts is now a sector worth probably almost as much as all the forms of sales promotion, although estimates of the sector's value vary from £200m upwards.

Three types of business gift dominate the sector. Calendars, pens and diaries together are worth probably not far short of £70m in sales a year. Chinaware and lead crystal glass is an increasingly important sub-sector. But there is an immense range of other gifts on which company names can be printed, often reflecting the company colours and logos. They range from key fobs and tee shirts to up-market Swiss watches and calculators.

Colin Chamberlain, ISP's chairman, whose company Clarke Hooper is among the largest independent sales promotion consultancies, said: "There has been an enormous upsurge in the last three of four years in sales promotion. It is partly an attempt to combat a flat economy combined with high unemployment levels, to put a sting into mature markets and is affected by a retail sector which is particularly aggressive in seeking higher sales." Conventional media advertising especially television, had become more expensive enhancing the attraction of below the line promotions where the effect in increased sales shows up immediately, he pointed out.

In sales promotion over the past three years there has been a growth in the value of the market of about a fifth each year, Mr Chamberlain believes.

Promotion in grocery items has become much more cash orientated as with money-back offers although the variety of offers is wide. The latest trend has been towards attracting consumers to shop with a specific trader by issuing vouches with a set of products which can be redeemed only at a particular retail store.

Coupons offering cash off the next repeat purchase lost some of their popularity last year. This was because some mulitiple chains were accepting them against customers' bills for whatever goods rather than for purchases of the specific items for which the coupons were issued.

From what little research has been done statistically in sales promotion it seems likely that cash incentives are still the most popular reward in the motivation field: Retail vouchers are probably the next most popular, followed by merchandise, travel schemes and points catalogues. With the catalogues merchandise is on offer to be claimed on a points system, with typically salesmen earning points according to their sales successes.

Incentive travel schemes appear to be the more popular the larger the company involved.

The industry's wide range of products will be on view at Incentive 84, the National Incentive and Promotion Exhibition, which opens tomorrow for three days at Barbican Exhibition Hall B, London EC2.

Derek Harris
Commercial Editor

Motivation programmes are growing fast

Motivation programmes, used by companies to reward both individual employees and groups, are particularly suitable for the sales force of a company and such programmes are likely to continue expanding having continued to proliferate through the recession, according to David Robson, managing director of Bonusplan which claims to be the biggest all-British incentive and motivation house.

A cornerstone of Bonusplan growth was its Bonusplan retail vouchers which can be redeemed at more than 8,000 shops, hotels, restaurants and travel agents in Britain. Another successful bond operation is that of Supreme Awards.

The motivation sector is probably worth between £55m and £85m a year, Mr Robson suggests. This leaves out of account all consumer incentives and the many small do-it-yourself schemes which companies run by offering merchandise, holidays and other benefits to employees. The valuation is largely based on the turnover of the specialist motivation companies plus the sales of major chains with voucher schemes that include W. H. Smith, Boots, Woolworth, Trusthouse Forte, Victoria Wine, Debenhams and Austin Reed.

Mr Robson believes that motivation programmes could with effect be used more widely in Britain because recent research has suggested that while British employees are generally content with their pay they are far from wholly committed to their work. The job commitment of Britons is less than employees in north America or some European countries.

GROWTH OF SALES PROMOTION

Year	Media advertising* (£m)	Promotions incentives** (£m)
1974	900	645
1975	967	897
1976	1,188	1,225
1977	1,499	1,853
1978	1,834	2,141
1979	2,129	–
1980	2,555	–
1981	2,818	3,000
1982	3,126	3,500
1983	3,579	4,000

Sources: * Advertising Association; **1974/78 Harris International Marketing. 1981/83.

Some indication of growth being experienced by sales promotion companies comes from Trafalgar Promotions, part of Trafalgar Group whose other key activity is imports of merchandise. This gives the Trafalgar subsidiary an unusual degree of integration when putting together total sales promotion packages for clients.

Last year Trafalgar Promotions saw turnover growth up by a half compared with 1982 and this year is seeing an even bigger increase although that reflects the recent acquisition by the group of Viners, the cutlery company. Graham Temple, account director for the promotions subsidiary, identifies promotions in the DIY field as a notable growth area. Oil companies remain a big user of promotions. Grocery items like toothpaste are often now involving separate promotional schemes for each of the big multiple grocers.

Trafalgar not only puts out an incentive gifts catalogue but like the other promotion companies is always seeking something new to offer in rewards including travel. Mr Temple said: "The average reward at retail values is around £30 to £40 but can range from £5 to a round-the-world cruise for £10,000. We have offered flying lessons – it costs about £2,500 to get a pilot's licence – and races round Brands Hatch."

Games are making a big impact in the promotion field. Scratch card games lifted one brewer's sales by a third and a Japanese camera film maker's sales by more than three quarters each at the height of the games promotion.

Probably the most spectacular recent game was the Shell oil company's Make Money promotion based on half-note game pieces. Don Marketing, which operates from tiny premises in Hornchurch, Essex, and specializes in promotional games, organized the promotion. It was a more sophisticated re-run of Shell's original 1966 Make Money game – when Shell was still linked with BP – that at the height of the promotion raised Shell and BP's petrol sales by around 85 per cent. It left Shell and BP with a doubled market share.

It is all a long way on from the days of the plastic daffodils.

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Enter the travel agencies

Cash gifts are readily spent and soon forgotten but memories linger on. That is the argument for travel being the ultimate incentive.

It has proved strong enough to prompt major holiday companies to gear themselves for this market joining the growing number of specialist incentive travel agencies which have sprung up.

The holiday companies are becoming more involved in the structuring of promotions, handling the motivation side as well as applying their travel expertise to tailor-made packages.

Thomas Cook, a market leader in retail travel agents, has in recent years become more aggressive in its penetration into the sales promotion and incentive market spearheading advertising with the Thomas Cook gift vouchers which are redeemable in any of its nationwide chain of travel shops.

"They offer an extremely flexible choice and are also very easy to administer," said Rob Chalmers, incentives manager.

He sees signs of continued improvement in the incentive market. This time last year, response to Thomas Cook advertising and direct mail was much less positive. This year there has been a 40 per cent increase in sales over the same period in 1983.

American Express, best known for its credit card but which also has its own travel operation, has been active in the incentives market for the past seven years. Last September it linked with Bonusplan, a leading motivation company, so that clients could be offered a total incentive package.

"Put together, the results are becoming tremendous," said Keddy Soffair, marketing and sales director, UK, of American Express Europe.

"We handle movements of groups, from as small as 20 to thousands at big conferences, to all parts of the world and are bringing people into the UK and Ireland.

"Last year, at a modest estimate, we sent 2,000 people from this country on incentive trips abroad. This year it will be 3,000 plus.

American Express is seeking to launch a special campaign to bring more people from Europe to the UK on incentive and conference travel trips believing that the UK does not get its fair share of this market.

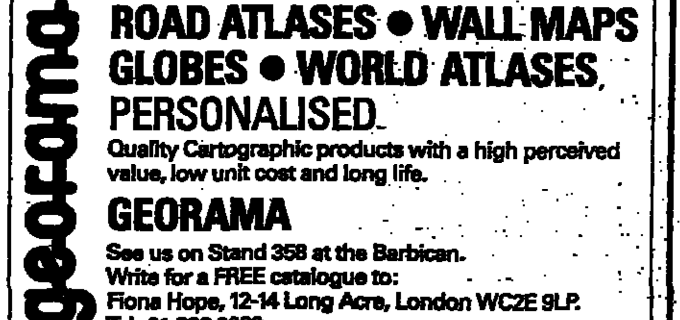
The company is currently working on a major project for next year when it will be bringing between 20,000 and 25,000 people to London for the American Bar Association conference in July, 1985.

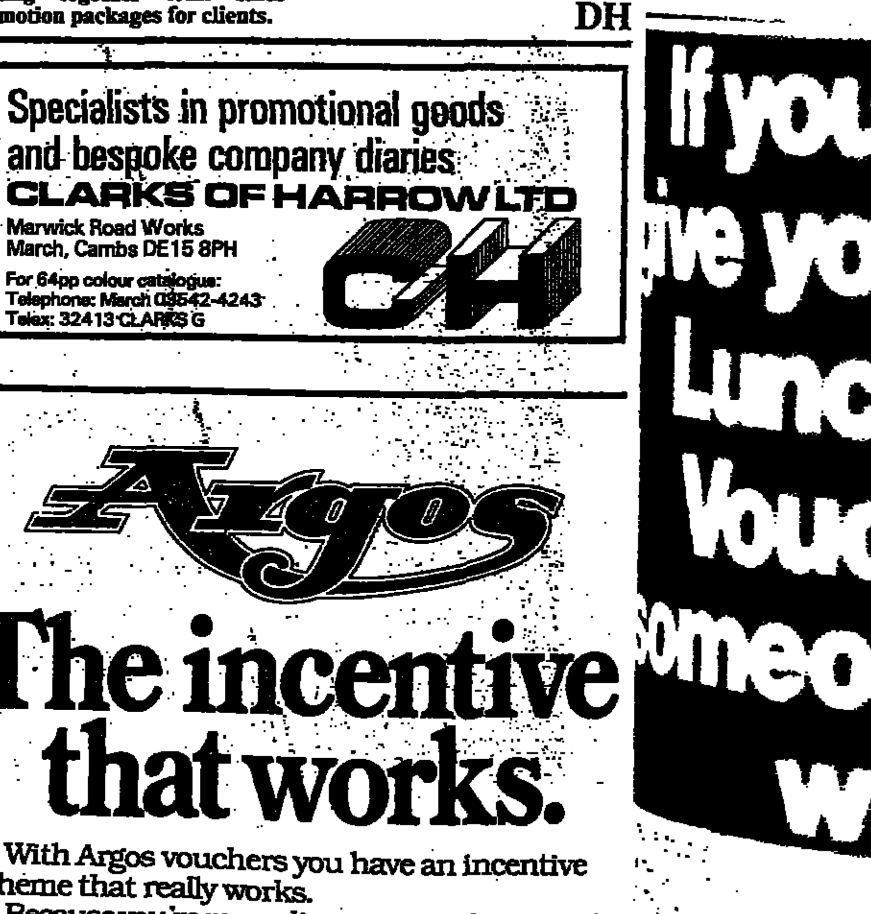
Fred. Olsen Travel, part of the Fred. Olsen Group, has got together an experienced travel incentive team and offers a range of "flying, floating and paper carrots".

The "flying carrots" starts at £289 for four days in Majorca and soar to £1,240 for a seven day "top of the world trip" to Nepal. The "floating carrots" feature cruises and "paper carrots" are Fred. Olsen's Travel Bonds which start at £2.

The company claims that of all incentives used to generate productivity, travel has proved to be the greatest stimulus giving motivation with "anticipation, enjoyment and memory".

Irene Farnsworth

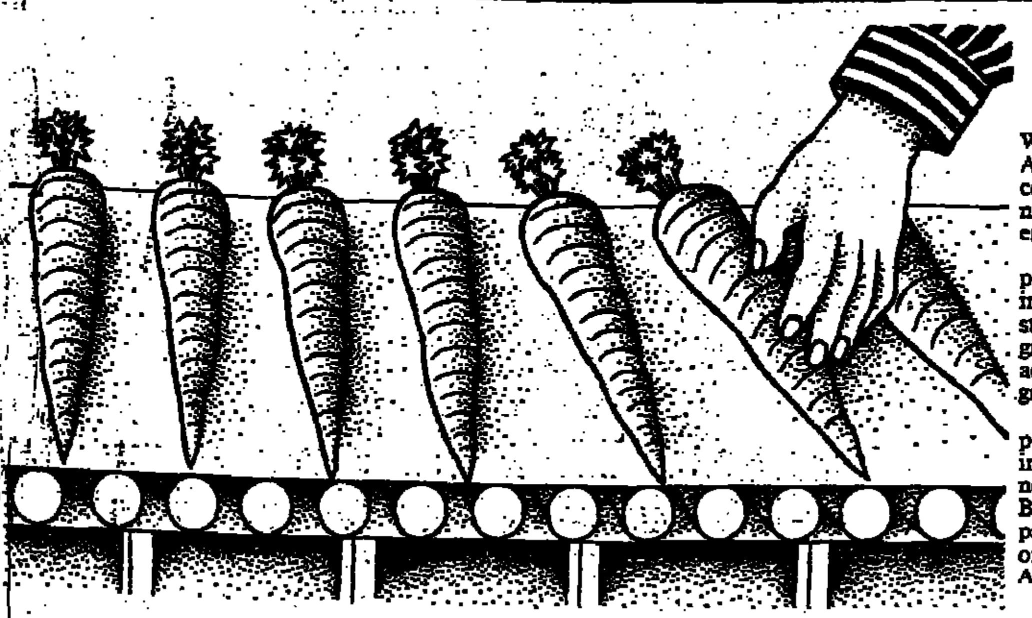








When inducements are a family affair



When E. F. MacDonald, the American incentive marketing company, came to the UK nearly 25 years ago, they were entering virgin territory.

But the concept of motivating people to work harder by calling in an outside team to formulate structured performance programmes with rewards for achievers initially fell on stony ground.

The biggest difficulty was persuading companies that incentive motivation was necessary and that it worked. British owned companies were particularly sceptical, looking on the whole thing as an American gimmick.

So E. F. MacDonald's first inroads were into US parent companies which have plants in the UK. Americans were familiar with incentives since by then several specialist companies were flourishing in the United States.

Offering wide-choice incentives in return for extra effort at work started in 1922, the brainchild of Elton F. MacDonald, owner of a leather goods business in Dayton, Ohio.

Discovering that a bulk order for brief cases was for a company's salesmen only when they hit their sales targets set him thinking. He hit on the idea of offering a variety of goods to enhance people's lifestyle, involving the family instead of being work-related. Incentive marketing was born.

After setting up in the UK, E. F. MacDonald (now Carlson MacDonald) went unchallenged for more than a decade. But in 1974 another American company, Maritz, set up its first overseas subsidiary in the UK. Maritze UK claims to have toppled E. F. MacDonald as market leaders five years ago.

Maritz were jewellers in St Louis who during the depression in the 1930s when demand for their merchandise was low, offered watches to companies to reward salesmen hitting their targets.

"Basically the philosophy of the company is to provide major companies with motivation programmes which will achieve successful sales and profits. We have a complete resource network in Marlow," said John Chalker, marketing director, Maritz UK. "Incentives are primarily aimed at getting sales increases, not just volume sales but profit. I think in the next five years we will see a major increase in motivation programmes that encompass more than just salesmen – programmes that will cover anyone who can contribute to sales success."

Clients of Maritz are mainly blue-chip companies with budgets of around £50,000 minimum to spend on a motivation programme drawn up to meet the specific needs of a company and following through from beginning to end.

In America, incentive rewards are 70 per cent merchandise and 30 per cent travel but for Maritz UK the break is fifty-fifty. Travel sales last year were in excess of £5m.

Carlson MacDonald's marketing manager, Brian Morgan, said that because travel is increasing as an incentive reward, research is being done on new destinations.

"At first the idea was far away places – we've sent people to Hawaii and Indonesia – but now the art is to make the holiday more and more memorable", he said. "Travel incentive winners have to be given VIP treatment. It has got to be an experience they talk about for a long time."

Since becoming part of Carlson, world-wide in group sales promotion and incentives, the UK company has, in the past 18 months, been using and developing learning aids brought in by Carlson.

Incentive programmes are about getting people to enjoy doing more work and the challenge for the companies called in to motivate a workforce is coming up with new ideas to make jobs more exciting.

The fact that the two giants of incentive marketing no longer have the field to themselves is an indication of the growing acceptance by British companies that the American import is here to stay.

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Calendars

Growing fast

Calendars, from stock items that simply carry an overprint of a company's name to lushly-produced, items like the Pirelli calendar that is back this year after a time off the market, make up a sector of the business gifts market that is estimated to be worth nearly £30m a year in sales.

Among the big calendar producers are Bemrose Corporation at Derby, Thomas Forman and Sons of Nottingham, Eversheds of St Albans and Calendars and Diaries of Bristol. While companies like Bemrose produce both stock calendars and the bespoke variety on the Pirelli pattern, some makers specialize. One company which produces only bespoke calendars being J Howitt and Son of Nottingham.

Stock calendars account for about £15m in turnover, the rest of these are 'girlie' calendars, according to Paul Dane, sales and marketing director at Howitt's which vies with Bemrose as market leader in bespoke calendars.

The calendar market taken overall has been comparatively static according to David Tidmarsh, managing director of Bemrose's calendars and diaries division. he said: "There was some decline during the worst of the recession but last year there was slight growth again, with the best sales in the bespoke sector."

One manufacturing sector showing signs of becoming more calendar conscious, while also buying more diaries for promotion, is food processing.

Howitt's service includes design and the photography as well as the printing. One of their current contracts is the Mintex calendar, noted for its shapely girl models. Kodak's prestige calendar is printed by Howitt's although Kodak does its own photography. Most bespoke calendars circulating in Britain are produced in the United Kingdom, according to Mr Dane.

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Diaries

A lot more than dates on the way

Charles Letts, market leaders in diaries that still form one of the three biggest product sectors in the promotional merchandise market, is mounting a bid on the whole of the business gifts sector because of its rate of growth.

Letts expects its new gift house, styled the Letts Collection, to account for 15 to 20 per cent of the company's total turnover within five years, according to Tom Green, marketing director at Letts. "The business gifts market has been growing at about 5 per cent a year so with our connexions with so many companies through the diaries operation it is logical to move into the wider market with a full range of gifts merchandise."

Because in business gifts there is a constant search for innovatory products the traditional diaries have not seen the same growth as the gifts sector as a whole. Mr Green said: "Diary sales are still growing, at any rate with us, but they are forming a smaller percentage of the enlarging gifts market."

Letts' drive into business gifts overall is seen as an expansion move, with additional sales and marketing staff set up separately from its diaries operation. It is not a replacement for part of the diaries operation, says Mr Green.

Mr Green said: "There are innovations in the diary field. One is a diary format without dates which can be used for a number of purposes such as for noting addresses."

But the search for new products will mainly be in other merchandise areas. Mr Green said: "One product recently on the market was a ceramic mug which, when filled with a hot drink, threw up on the side a promotional message that was invisible when the mug was cool. That must have netted a lot of sales."

Strikingly successful ideas, with a typical surge of demand over a comparatively short period of time when the notion is wildly fashionable, can throw up their own problems. The trade still talks of a snack food promotion with a theme watch that was so successful the producers of the watch eventually could not cope with all the orders.

Another promotion that involved a special offer of dolls also exhausted the maker's stocks. This can result in the sort of consumer disappointment which destroys a promotion's object of building goodwill.

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Pens

Making the point in a price war

Writing instrument makers – mostly pens of various kinds but also some pencils – have seen sales consistently rising in the business gifts market when over-the-counter retail sales have been in the doldrums as pricing wars have broken out.

One of the first pen makers to make a determined push into the gifts market was Parker Pen, the American company whose biggest manufacturing facility is in Britain. Gift pens, mostly with company names inscribed, now after some 16 years account for a fifth of Parker's trade in Britain. The previous year gifts accounted for 14 per cent of the turnover.

Parker puts the value of the gift pens market at about £20m. It differentiates between pens used in specific promotions – some 57 per cent of the volume – and those given as individual gifts as a reminder of a company.

Parker puts the gifts pen market growth rates as having been running between 15 and 30 per cent a year and it expects the improvements to continue.

Platignum, one of the few British companies still producing writing instruments in the United Kingdom, set up a business gifts division two years ago and has seen its sales grow by eight times.

The business gifts now account for 10 per cent of Platignum turnover. Mr David Saunders, business gifts manager, said: "This is now very much part of the group's activities, will be increasingly important in the future and is providing good profits. Our main products are at the lower end of the price range but we are also buying in more up market pens to add to the gifts range. The whole sector is a growth area."

Rather more than half the gift pen market is for items of £1 or less. Brands such as Parker, together with makers like Sheaffer, Gillette's Papermate and Cross, dominate the higher-price gift pens sector, mostly in the £3 to £5 range although some more expensive pens are given as gifts by companies.

Bourne Publicity, one of the big advertising gift houses, has recently been selling more gift and promotional pens than calendars and diaries, the two categories being the most in demand for advertising gifts. Calculators accounted for the equivalent of half the pens turnover at Bourne.

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An investment in loyalty

Car manufacturers, consumer electronics, insurance and pharmaceutical companies – and at least one nationalized industry – are big users of incentives.

Repeat business over many years has come from major concerns but smaller businesses have tended to be unenthusiastic about incentive motivation.

"Some companies think their salesmen should be grateful that they still have a job", says Derek France, chairman and managing director of The John Harvey Group which, three years ago, formed John Harvey Marketing to produce structured motivational programmes mainly for smaller companies.

Both he and Graham Burt, managing director of JHM, cut their teeth in the incentives business with E. F. MacDonald (now Carlson MacDonald).

When Mr France joined MacDonald's soon after they set up in the U.K. they were mainly working for American-owned companies. "The attitude of British companies then was 'I pay them don't I?' and to some extent still is", said Mr France.

But Mr Burt says that he has noticed a change in attitude in the past six months. From a reaction of not being interested because they didn't have a budget for "frills" he is now finding that smaller companies are more willing to talk about incentives.

"We are selling a service and are paid on the results of our incentive programmes, charging 12½ per cent up to 15 per cent," he said. "To be successful, an incentive campaign has got to achieve sales targets. We ask companies what they want to achieve, who can achieve their objectives and what type of person we have to motivate.

"Getting the structure right is important. A salesman earning £10,000 a year needs to be rewarded with merchandise worth £250 to make it worthwhile. The campaign has to be simple so that the salesman understands exactly what he has to do and what he gets for it."

There is a definite pattern to what achievers select from a range of 500-800 items. In a first time campaign, people order three and a half items. The first choice is something for the home, the second is for the wife (a personal gift like jewelry) the third is for the children and the half is for the achiever himself.

The second time round, the outstanding performer will set his sights on one major item like a portable colour television.

"People are proud of possessions and talk about them. They wouldn't say 'I got £250 from the company' " said Mr France.

"The same goes for bonuses. People come to regard them as part of their salary. The long term benefits of incentives are loyalty. Salesmen will think twice about changing companies if the incentive rewards are good. I felt there was a gap in the market for a professional agency for smaller business. We do know how to motivate people. That is the key."

The best sort of incentive is where the whole workforce is motivated. A programme John Harvey Marketing is particularly proud of did just that. Rewards were made to any member of an automotive company's staff who pushed up their percentage rating for efficiency. Even the tea lady and the apprentice mechanic had the opportunity of being rewarded.

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ARTS DIARY

Bryan Appleyard

Ministering in person

Intense excitement down at the Arts Council where the long-awaited poetry reading by Lord Gowrie, Minister for the Arts, is about to take place. Originally slated for the spring, the event was postponed because of certain problems connected with rows, bloodletting and embittered accusations at 105 Piccadilly. But now Marghanita Laski, chairman of the Literature Panel, has persuaded the shy Earl to deliver a selection of modern American poetry to an invited audience tonight at six. The guests – Arts Council staff and any outsiders considered "nice" enough – will, however, be disappointed to learn that he does not plan to recite any of his own works. . .unless pressed, of course.

Goodbye to Berlin

Only Herbert von Karajan could pull out of a concert with the Berlin Philharmonic without a word of explanation and simultaneously announce that he was to conduct the Vienna Philharmonic on the same day. The Germans have described it as "an affront", while the 76-year-old maestro is playing hard to get until the musicians give up their efforts to remove Dr Peter Girth as director of the orchestra. The mayor of Berlin has now intervened in the feud between Peter and Herbert on the one hand and the orchestra on the other but the rift could be final.

Top C

Some early seething has started on the matter of who is to succeed Lord Harewood when he steps down as managing director of the English National Opera next year. Peter Hemmings of the London Symphony Orchestra was clearly in the running from the first but now Peter Jonas, currently with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, is making a run. Jonas, married to soprano Lucia Popp, is gaining support but is up against a growing feeling that an internal candidate should get the job. The ENO should, after all, have a local flavour. The seething has only just begun.

Ken-tata

Red Ken has turned cultural. Only days after making his debut on a pop record with the Flying Pickets, I hear he is spending £8,400 of GLC cash promoting Michael Berkeley and Ian McEwan's anti-nuclear oratoria, to be released by EMI this month. Perhaps he hopes to adopt it as his swan song: its title is *Or Shall We Die?*

Windward

Peggy Lee arrived at the Royal Festival Hall at the end of her British tour last week with the instruction that all present were to address her as "Miss Lee". She then made life miserable for Benny Ball, the lighting director, by dismissing all his creative efforts and throwing him out of her dressing room. Then, suddenly, she relented and sent him a bunch of flowers. This explains the three baffling references to somebody called Benny during her last concert. Benny, meanwhile, picked himself up, dusted himself down and replied: "It's okay, Miss Lee, you're a great artist."

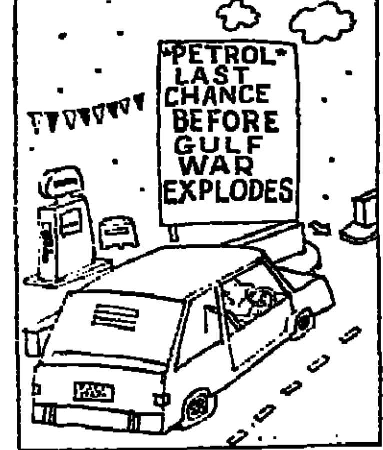
Killing time

David Puttnam has postponed the launch of his film about Cambodia, *Killing Fields*, until after the US presidential election – according to rumours – to placate the distributors, Warner Brothers, who, I am told, were alarmed that it would harm the chances of their former leading man, Ronald Reagan. Puttnam tells me the delayed launch date, from September 28 to November 16, was solely to ensure the election would not detract from his publicity. He insists the film is not a Pilger-style condemnation of America's role – "If you had a contest for the more wicked, Pol Pot would win hands down."

Private sector

The first night is out of fashion. Mel Brooks began the fad, with *To Be or Not To Be*, of opening with a glittering preview for an invited audience. The idea is that the glamorous few will pull in the drab many. Last night the film of Julian Mitchell's *Another Country* followed suit with a guests-only riot at the Odeon, Haymarket. The list goes on forever: Koo Stark, Charles Althorp, Rupert Everett, Diana Cooper, Brian Ferry, Paula Yates and dozens of others who, of course, do not really exist. The rest of the world – unwashed, unnoticed and paying – can get in from Friday.

BARRY FANTONI



Summit: a strategy for success

by Roy Hattersley

Not since 1978 has a western summit produced any real effort to create a coordinated economic policy. And that year's brave attempt at world reflation was defeated by the escalating price of oil. This week the heads of government meet in London at the height of an international economic crisis. The summit meeting must attempt to find a remedy. If it spends its time on peripheral issues the participants will merely look ridiculous.

The world debtor countries, caught between high American interest rates and stagnating demand for their exports, announce their inability to pay the interest on their borrowing and do not even contemplate capital repayment. A number of American banks, overstretched by recent lending, teeter on the edge of collapse. And high American interest rates (which have made the servicing of Third World debts impossible) have had an equally bad effect on the industrialized world. The dollar is grossly over-valued and the pace of western economic recovery is held back. If the summit does not attempt a solution to that knot of problems, the heads of government might as well stay at home.

Of course the onus to lead the effort at recovery rests on the United States. America is the single summit participant with the economic power to cause – and therefore to cure – the crisis. But simply hectoring the President will not nag him into a change of policy – particularly in election year. He needs to be encouraged in the adoption of a package which is right for the American banks, for the debtor nations, and for western Europe – at least in those countries which see reflation and a reduction in unemployment as their principal economic objective.

That package should have two major ingredients. The first the President must carry through Congress and impose on the Federal Reserve: American fiscal policy must be tightened and its monetary policy must be relaxed. That balanced adjustment (best achieved by a reduction in the swollen and still swelling military budget) will produce the essential reduction in American interest rates. It will not totally extinguish the boost that the US deficit has given to the American economy. But it will provide a chance for western Europe to move forward at something like a matching pace.

The second part of the package should be a major revision of outstanding debts. The burden should be shifted from private banks to the International Monetary Fund. That requires an increase in both IMF quotas and special drawing rights, and the rescheduling of existing borrowing arrangements over periods and at rates of repayments which the debtor nations have some prospect of achieving. And the IMF must be told that it should not behave like the anxious auditor of parish council accounts.

Telling each debtor nation to cut its expenditure until interest payments can be met will not solve the problem. What is really needed is a generalized reflation. Individual countries will not find solvency on their own. Recovery is a cooperative endeavour.

The Prime Minister will only be able to urge such a package on the President if she abandons some of her long held prejudices. If she speaks in the language of international non-intervention and demands that the debtor nations solve their own problems, the problem will not be solved at all.

For if the US deficit were cut and American interest rates fell in consequence, without other international economic action, the debtor nations would still be in crisis. Their only hope of repayment is through exports to the developed world. For the last five years America, Britain and West Germany have conspired to make those exports more difficult to achieve. Since the French attempt at expansion was sabotaged by that country's monetarist neighbours, western Europe has constantly engineered world deflation. Debtors do not pay their dues when they are out of work.

Britain should, therefore, offer the summit a serious reflation as our contribution to the package. There is no paradox in arguing that America (operating dangerously near to capacity) should reduce its budget deficit while other participants in the London summit increase theirs.

The result would be an increase in trade which would provide for the President the strongest possible argument against the growing demands for protectionism. A smaller budget deficit in the US would not imperil employment prospects if it were achieved at a time of general world reflation.

Were we able to set that pace and steer the summit along that reflationary path, the technical manipulation of the debts would then have some chance of success – provided that the IMF accepted the development needs of the less developed countries, rather than concentrating exclusively on the interest demands of western banks. Of course, Britain cannot do it alone. As the French have discovered to their cost, life is hard for a government which seeks to expand while surrounded by contracting economies.

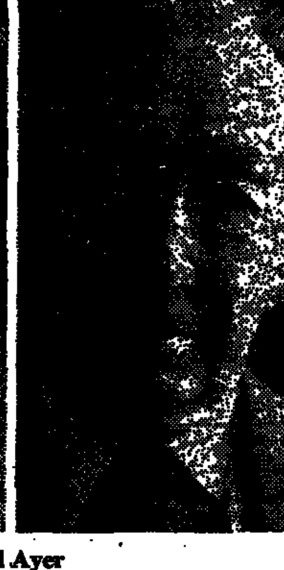
But it is the purpose of summit meetings to determine common strategic objectives. And it would be tragic if a combination of primeval economics and primitive prejudices about financial rectitude prevented Britain from arguing a case which is clearly right for us and right for the world.

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Caroline Moorehead on censorship's shifting front line







A voice for oppressed writers: 'Index' pioneers Russell, Jameson, Auden, McCarthy and Ayer

The never-ending fight for the freedom to think

A few years ago the Czechoslovak poet Jan Vladislav described in an interview just how he went about producing a book. To start with, he had to find good quality onion paper and good carbon. Then it was a question of recruiting a professional typist, no easy matter since the work was scarcely paid. Binding, which he did himself, happened at weekends to minimize the risk of police visits, again a slow process since he had to trim everything by hand. What with the travelling around and correcting the typescript, a single book, he estimated, took him the best part of ten days.

This labyrinthine procedure describes the publication of banned unofficial literature in Czechoslovakia, the "typewriter culture" as it has become known. Of the country's several hundred established writers, all but a handful (who have made their peace with the authorities in humiliating statements of recantation about the troubles of 1968) are either in exile or banned, writing, as they put it, "for the drawer".

If they want their work to be read at all, there is no alternative but to join a system of book production that has to obey a number of arcane rules. By law, only a writer is allowed to make a few copies – no more than 10 or 15 – of his own work, and then he must sign each of them (this makes them manuscripts and not books). He can then pass them on to a few friends to read. Anyone else involved – bookbinder, typist, owner of a duplicator, even a person handing a manuscript over in the street – faces heavy punishment.

It would be quite wrong to imagine that censorship of this kind is confined to any one form of regime or part of the world. As the holding of a conference on censorship at the ICA on June 16 and 17 and the publication next week of a book of pieces by banned writers (both under the title *They shoot writers don't they?*) makes only too plain, censorship and imprisonment is a way of life for intellectuals in many parts of the world.

When International PEN, the writers' organization, drew up a list of writers they know to be in jail or labour camps this year, they reached the figure of 461 (40 in Africa, 106 in Asia, 168 in Europe and the USSR and 147 in Latin America). Last year the number was 500. Cases fell as Argentina released some of its imprisoned intellectuals; it rose again as Turkey began to incarcerate its own.

Incarceration is not, of course, the only way to silence writers, as the experience of Czechoslovakia shows. Writers, almost better than anyone else, are quickly and effectively silenced anywhere once you destroy the work they have already published, ban all new books, remove their names from *Writers' Who's Who* and never mention them in official publications. Just how many are kept without a voice no one clearly knows. But why are they so threatening? The answer would seem to be that what they do is catch people's imaginations. As totalitarian regimes impose even harsher physical restrictions, so the refuge people take in the imagination becomes more challenging to a state intent on regimenting minds as well as actions.

Britain has an honourable tradition in human rights and writers have not been excluded from its concerns. As early as 1921 PEN was founded to promote friendship between writers and to defend them from political victimization, whether from right or left. In 1958, the novelist Storm Jameson was partly responsible for championing individual imprisoned writers under a special committee which has grown in strength and scope ever since. Three years later, Amnesty International adopted the same strategy for its political prisoners, writers among them. Then in 1972 *Index on Censorship* (recalling the Catholic Index Librorum Prohibitorum) was born when Pavel Litvinov, grandson of the former Soviet Foreign Minister, Maxim Litvinov, appealed to the world in the columns of *The Times* on behalf of two young writers facing a rigged trial on charges of anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda.

Stephen Spender was among those who responded, as was W. H. Auden, A. J. Ayer, Mary McCarthy and Bertrand Russell, and out of their reaction came a quarterly (now bi-monthly) magazine to give a voice to writers banned in their own country and to monitor world censorship. As Stephen Spender wrote in the first issue: "This is not just an act of charity. It is a way of extending an international consciousness . . . in being concerned with the situation of those who are deprived of their freedom, one is taking the side of openness."

The changing rota of countries featuring in *Index* gives some map of intellectual censorship of the last decade. The first issues were concerned largely with Europe – Portugal, Spain and Greece still having dictatorships. In the course of the next few years, the focus moved outwards to take in Latin America, the Middle East and Africa as political upheavals overtook Lebanon, Pakistan, Vietnam and Zimbabwe, (and as *Index* was able to add specialists to its staff). Today, Turkey, Iran, Czechoslovakia and Uruguay are areas marked for anxiety.

Patterns of censorship have also come to light. The Soviet world has shown itself to be systematic and extremely well organized, arresting and sending to labour camps its writers with a steady determination. In Latin America, the authorities have tended to be more haphazard, but their victims have been treated with a physical brutality unequalled anywhere else.

And, lest it seem tempting to think of censorship as something reserved for dictatorships and totalitarian regimes, it is worth remembering that in America there exists a "league table" of works of celebrated American writers most frequently removed from US schools between 1966 and 1975. On it you find Salinger's *Catcher in the Rye*, Heller's *Catch 22* and Harper Lee's *To Kill a Mockingbird.*

Scooping out a haul of unknown Orwell

This compact basement is not the place for scoops. One prefers to trumpet such things from the rooftops. Nevertheless: a scoop, a palpable scoop. Hold the front page, chaps; or whatever one shouts on these occasions.

A rich haul of forgotten writing by George Orwell has been resurrected from the dead. They give a vivid picture of Orwell's life and times in London during the war, and are the missing link in many of the literary memoirs of the period. His scripts for the Eastern Service of the BBC provide a fascinating Orwellian commentary on the course of the war. This mass of material has been missing, presumed dead, for 40 years; unknown by the standard authorities on Orwell; not recorded by the Orwell Archive at University College London.

It has been buried in the BBC Written Archive at Caversham Park, near Reading, unrecorded on the BBC's Orwell source file: a deficiency that is about to make students and scholars of the Orwell industry sicker than an ocean-going frog. If you want to lose paper, the best place to do so is in a mountain of other paper. This is why journalists never throw away paper, to the despair of their families and tidy-minded colleagues. Orwell said somewhere that the BBC keeps six copies of every letter, but that it is impossible to get hold of back scripts. He would have appreciated the irony that his own scripts and letters have been lost for 40 years because of a filing error.



Wartime broadcaster Eric Blair: a challenge to his objectivity

The treasure was found last month by the serendipity and bloody-minded persistence of William J. West of Exeter, an amateur enthusiast for Orwell's work.

The Orwell fancier who searches the BBC archives is shown a series of files that cover all sides of the work of Eric Blair (as he was known to the BBC) as talks assistant for the Indian Service. For serious students there is an Orwell source file, giving all the facts about Orwell that it is thought proper to release, and a list of all his surviving scripts and their whereabouts. Hunting the Snark of Newspeak, Bill West found filed under Basic English references to a talk on the subject commissioned by Orwell from C. K. Ogden, the inventor of that artificial language. The files produced a number of unrecorded letters by Orwell on the interesting topic of artificial languages. The talk itself turned out to be filed not under Orwell, or Ogden, or the broadcaster of the talk, but under the name of the Indian announcer who introduced the talk.

Filled with zeal, ignoring the comment in the Orwell source file that nothing had been found in letters to contributors, disregarding mutters about much material having been lost in the bombing, Bill West started a systematic search of contributors' files in the archive. The weekly magazine *London Calling* gave details of the output of Orwell's department. The files of the contributors concealed a very large number of letters from Orwell to people from all sides of the literary and political world in war-time London.

The roneoed typescripts known as programmes-as-broadcast give a detailed account of everything broadcast by Orwell's department. Search has turned up more than 60 scripts of Orwell's weekly news commentary on the war, under the title "Through Eastern Eyes", filed under a variety of names of Indian broadcasters. The work was a severe test of Orwell's objectivity and honesty in a time of world earthquake. That his talks should have been transmitted to an India torn by dissent was a triumph of British broadcasting and Orwell's passion for the truth, and a contrast to the blether of Axis propaganda. Bill West is preparing a book to be called *Orwell, the War Broadcasts.* Who knows what other treasures lie buried? Orwell's birthday tribute to Adolf Hitler, with readings from *Mein Kampf* by Marius Goring, has yet to be found. Presumably it is filed under Adolf. Never to throw away paper is a pretty good policy, I suppose. But for Heaven's sake keep tabs on it.

Philip Howard

Anne Sofer

Room at the top, no entry below

The EEC policy on women's rights is a severe embarrassment to both Conservative and Labour parties: to the Conservative Party because it is trying to force it into expenditure and legislation it has no taste for, and to the Labour Party because it shows this hated capitalist institution in an obviously progressive light.

In this country we are used to thinking of the women's movement as a phenomenon of the 1970s, largely imported from America. It is worth continually reminding ourselves that in 1957 the Treaty of Rome had established equality as a binding principle.

We, of course, are one of the laggard members of the Community in implementing all of this. Although one encounters a widespread and complacent belief that British women are more liberated than their continental counterparts (after all, isn't it a well known fact that *no* continental husband helps in the house?), the truth is that British women are more likely to be in low-paid, part-time, sex-segregated jobs than women in the other nine EEC countries.

Because of the early specialization in our education system (adolescents being required to "choose" between arts and science at the age when sex stereotypes have the strongest influence) few women find their way into scientifically-based or technological careers; and we have been slower to do anything about it than other countries for whom the problem is less acute.

The huge report on the "Situation of Women in Europe" tabled earlier this year by the committee of inquiry set up by the European Parliament has some fascinating comparative data. In particular, the section on "women in decision-making centres" has statistics on political parties that should make us all sit up and think. In the four largest EEC countries – Germany, France, Italy and Britain, there is only one major political party in which women account for more than half its membership and more than a third of its national governing body; and that one is – wait for it! – the British Conservative Party. The British Labour Party with 39 per cent women members – quite good by international comparison – slumps to near bottom of the table in terms of women in leadership positions within the party – only 11 per cent. (Neither the Liberal Party nor the SDP was included in this tabulation.)

Now how can this be explained? A strongly female party, led by the only woman prime minister in Europe, with an unassailable majority in its own legislature, governing the country in which women are still so far from achieving equality? And on the other hand, an official opposition loud in the battle for women's rights whose own internal structure is so male-dominated?

Part of the answer to this paradox may be found in the introduction to this section of the report by Signora Macciocchi, an Italian Socialist MEP. Describing the three stages of women's access to power since the Second World War, she defines 1945 – 1968 as the period of the "gestation of feminism" – the ideas implanted, certain legislative victories won, rising self-confidence, but no sense yet of a separate force. The second period, between 1968 and 1979, was that of "militant feminism", a separatist movement which refused to share power with men or join "phallocratic" institutions. While triggering off an explosion of creative thinking within women as individuals, it did not encourage involvement in politics seeing it as one of the "repugnant and dirty" games men play.

This second phase, Signora Macciocchi says, ended in 1979 with the election of the first European Parliament. In this election 16 per cent of seats went to women (a higher percentage than in any national legislature other than Denmark's) and thus feminism entered its third phase of "reconciling feminism with politics" – a reconciliation made possible by the change of attitude in the countries themselves'.

Now whether this third phase is quite as firmly established as such an analysis suggests, and whether the European Parliament was as instrumental in its birth as its members would like to believe are matters of debate. But the question demands to be asked: "Has Britain entered the third phase at all?" Have political parties or the women's movement itself matured enough to make the reconciliation possible?

As so frequently in British politics these days polarization is blocking progress. Militant feminism seems to conspire with a populist male chauvinism in the press to make sure that what hits the headlines are the relative trivia: the row over lingerie advertising in the tube, the grants to lesbian cooperatives, the endless jokes about "Ms". The public is less aware, and less stirred, by the real chronicle of distress and unfairness which the more serious researchers and campaigners are only too ready to tell.

The setback which American feminism suffered when the Equal Rights Amendment was lost, and the bitter recriminations that followed, are experiences which our own membership of the EEC, and our obligation to comply with its directives, should protect us from – but only if we take both the membership and the obligation seriously. Does either Mrs Thatcher or Mr Kinnock?

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Ferdinand Mount

Let governors really govern

"Are *all* parents incurably mad" asked the head in *Stalky and Co.* That attitude, far from being confined to a dud public school at the end of the nineteenth century, seems to have caught on fast. The belief that parents are short-sighted, ignorant and mentally unbalanced has been shared by right-wing headmasters and left-wing educationists. Although the 1944 Act stipulated that children should be educated in accordance with the wishes of their parents, in practice the system has gradually extinguished what little choice and control poorer parents ever had.

The road back is hard and long. And as so often on these occasions, it is Sir Keith Joseph, a little travel-stained, who comes into view limping up it. His Green Paper, *Parental Influence at School*, is a remarkable document, and its reception has been no less remarkable. For the implication behind it is that education is no longer to be classed as a social science, requiring deep research by skilled educationists and close supervision by politicians and civil servants. It is something that ordinary parents can understand and should be allowed to choose for their children as freely as one orders dinner in a restaurant, constrained only by the price of the dishes.

Governors of state schools are no longer to be merely an offshoot of the local education authority. A majority of the governors are to be elected by and from parents with children at the school. Nor are their powers to be left as fatally vague as Rab Butler left them; the governors are in future to have clear duties, spelled out in law, to prescribe the aims of the school's curriculum and the conduct of the school, including such things as discipline and the wearing of school uniform.

The local authority would still have to be consulted where, for example, extra expenditure was proposed; but its powers to override the governors in these matters would be limited; and the authority would have to submit to the governors an annual item-by-item statement of what it was spending on the school.

Only on the hiring and firing of teachers does Sir Keith shy away from parent power. The authority will continue to employ the staff, and the governors would have only a part share in their selection; they would also have the power to suspend but not sack an unsatisfactory teacher. Feebler still, the Government regards it as "educationally desirable for the management responsibilities of the LEA for deploying its staff economically . . . to take precedence over the interest of the individual schools to secure the best possible teachers." In other words, the authority can still shuffle its worst teachers around from school to school.

Convenient, yes. Cosy, certainly. But educationally desirable? No. Nor can it be educationally desirable to deny the dominant voice in hiring and firing to the governors and head teacher, who are likely to know most and care most about the school. Sir Keith would scarcely invoke "management responsibilities" in other equally state-financed services. Would the Master of Balliol feel inclined to take on a couple of tenth-rate lecturers merely because Trinity had no further use for them?

But the amazing thing is not that Sir Keith shies away from going further: it is that he has gone so far. More amazing still, it seems that the whole political world is right with him. Parent-governors turn out to be "pure, high-octane Liberal policy", according to Clement Freud; Giles Radice tells us that Labour was the "pioneer of parental representation." Strange, is it not, that, with so many friends, it has taken so long to arrive?

There is, however, a difference of opinion here. In Mr Radice's words: "If there is to be genuine partnership, it is wrong for one group to be able to dominate the others". The National Association of Head Teachers, the National Confederation of Parent Teacher Associations and the National Association of Governors and Managers all say that they prefer the system recommended by the Taylor Committee in 1977: the governing body to be split equally four ways between representatives of the LEA, the teachers, the local community and the parents. Parents are all very well, it seems, but only in moderation.

I note in passing that nobody much objected during the 40 years in which one "partner" – the political nominees of the LEA – has dominated the others. The fallacy lies in the comforting word "partner". Parents are not at present partners in their children's schools any more than you become a partner in your local general practice when you take a chest cold to the doctor. You are a customer or patient – and a fairly impotent one at that.

The LEA and the teachers *are* in partnership with the ministry; one disburses the money, the other does the teaching and the third lays down the rules. But parents get a look-in nowhere except on the governing body; and they could become active partners in the enterprise only if their voice is the dominant one.

A minority of parent governors would be unlikely to influence the way a school is run in the face of a determined alliance between teachers and LEA officials. They would still be sleeping partners, fretful and tossing in their sleep no doubt, but ultimately powerless.

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D-DAY'S ABSENT ACTORS

The D-Day celebrations commemorate the past but take place in the present, so they cannot be wholly insulated from today's reality. When Allied forces landed in Normandy, Germany was the adversary, Russia a major ally. Now these roles are reversed, and the results have been making themselves felt. The Russians are using the occasion to attack the Allies yet again for allegedly delaying the landings in order to let Russia bear the brunt of the fighting. They tend to ignore their own pact with Hitler in 1939 and the costly convoys which later, after they had joined the fighting, brought them help from the West. But their charge opens another line of speculation: if the Allies had been in a position to land earlier, might they have kept the Russians out of Eastern Europe?

Meanwhile the West Germans are quietly unhappy at being left out of celebrations which, some of them feel, ought to be used to demonstrate the reconciliation with the West which so quickly followed the war and is now a durable result of it. Officials worry that without this element the celebrations could stir up old antagonisms and reinforce incipient German feelings of being in some way singular, apart, and not quite fully accepted into Western culture and politics.

In an ideal world it would have been good to bring together new and old allies for a general act of reconciliation among the graves of the dead. As far as the Russians are concerned, this is largely ruled out by the present state of East-West relations. The Russians did indeed fight formidably against Nazi Germany and without them it is doubtful that Hitler could have been defeated. We owe them that debt of gratitude. But they were not fighting in the same cause as the West. They were not fighting for freedom, democracy, self-determination or even for reconciliation. They were fighting for the defence of their homeland and the extension of its political and ideological power. Their alliance with the West was a temporary alliance of convenience, as was the West's alliance with them, and it has been followed by a renewal of the antagonism which preceded it.

The West Germans have a better case for being represented at the Normandy celebrations. They have now fully joined the West as a democratic nation and they seem permanently reconciled with France. They have helped create a new Europe which, in spite of its continuing problems, has produced a lasting peace deeply rooted in freedom which marks a genuine turning point in the history of the continent.

It is this that makes worthwhile the enormous Allied sacrifices on the Normandy beaches and thereafter. It is this that the celebrations should remember. It is now too late to invite a senior figure from West Germany but if the celebrations are to have a contemporary purpose besides commemorating the dead it is not too late to ensure that the speeches, while justly celebrating the defeat of Nazi Germany, should also recognize that a different Germany has grown out of defeat on that part of the territory which came under Western influence.

HOME TRUTHS AT CHEQUERS

South Africa is claiming to have won two international victories on Saturday: the Springboks beat England on the rugby field in Port Elizabeth, and Mr P. W. Botha sat down to lunch with Mrs Thatcher at Chequers. But there is evidence that Mrs Thatcher did better than the rugby players. Mr Botha may have gained some much-desired international status, but he had brought home to him some painful truths.

Mrs Thatcher is reported to have been characteristically firm and forthright. She apparently made clear that apartheid – that is, race prejudice transformed into state policy – was abhorrent to her and to most people in Britain. Mr Botha's moves away from rigid separation (constitutionally, in allowing Indians and Coloureds into Parliament, and in matters of sport and petty apartheid) were noted and commended, but also noted was the fact that blacks were excluded from the constitutional arrangements and the whole thing was irrelevant to the basic problem of an ever-growing urban black population.

Mrs Thatcher apparently read to Mr Botha a letter to the Queen from a black farming community in the Eastern Transvaal appealing for help to prevent their being removed from land given to them in 1904 in the name of King Edward VII. Mr Botha was probably not moved to tears, but it must be healthy for him to be made aware that the world is sensitive to the suffering of the thousands uprooted and sent to bleak "homelands". Even the reformed apartheid of Mr Botha involves acts of gross inhumanity.

Namibia occupied much attention at Chequers. Britain is part of the Western "Contact Group" charged by the United Nations in 1977 with the task of finding ways to implement Resolution 435 of the Security Council calling for elections and independence. Progress was for years impeded by South Africa shying away from the prospect of a Swapo-dominated Namibia on its borders. For some time now an American-sponsored deal has been imminent, involving also the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola. Mrs Thatcher was able to emphasize the importance the West attaches to a settlement being reached on Namibia, urging a flexible attitude on Mr Botha.

The criticism from Mrs Thatcher is likely to have an effect within South Africa: most attacks on apartheid come from the left and are discounted within the country as the work of "communists and liberals", people who do not understand the harsh realities of life. Mrs Thatcher does not fit those stereotypes.

She speaks too as the Prime Minister of a country that remains involved in South Africa, though formal links have long since been broken. There is the huge amount of British investment (about £11bn) and trade (almost £4bn a year). There are thus material reasons why Britain should be concerned that revolution and chaos be avoided in South Africa: and that requires peaceful change now, more swiftly than Mr Botha's reforms allow. Britain is morally involved in the problems of apartheid too, both as a senior member of a multi-racial Commonwealth, and as a multi-racial country herself.

The problem is how to express that involvement. The thousands of demonstrators who gathered in Hyde Park on Saturday, and many of the distinguished people who have been writing to this newspaper, argue that abhorrence is best conveyed by avoiding contact. Certainly it is important that pressure for change be maintained, and the rugby players, for instance, have lifted that pressure too soon. But in other fields the presentation of arguments can be a greater force towards change than boycotts are. And now it has been shown that a luncheon party in Buckinghamshire may be turned into a weapon against apartheid.

FROM LESTRADE TO NEWMAN

Like the proverbial long-serving shovel which had worn out three new shafts and two new blades, the Police Staff College is not exactly the thing it was when it was founded exactly fifty years ago. Deeply resented and suspected at its inception, it was quietly strangled five years later by the forces of tradition in the police, and it was not resuscitated till almost a decade later, in a different county, under a different name, and with its formal aims and ideals tactfully differentiated from those of its earlier self.

Today the necessity for the qualities that such an institution seeks to instil is scarcely disputed any longer, but the question remains how far they are compatible with the qualities which the police have put their chief reliance on since the days of Peel, and which have not served them so badly, all things considered.

Lord Trenchard's staff college at Hendon set out to remedy what had been seen as a defect in the police at least since the time of Conan Doyle – the intellectual limitations of its plodding Lestrades. The difficulty was that this defect was the obverse of the force's virtues. From the very start, the police had been drawn from the social classes they had most to do with in their work, and relied on a deep sense of identity and mutual respect with them. The intuition drawn from learning on the beat was felt to be more valuable than any academic paper-knowledge: more, the latter was sometimes seen as actually weakening the bonds between police and public. In the days when educational opportunities for the working class were limited, individuals of high native ability were available. No separate officer cadre presided over the rank and file, as was the case with the armed forces (though there was a custom, now extinct, for chief constables to be former military men).

In this atmosphere, it is no wonder that Trenchard's innovation aroused suspicion. It set out to create a separate elite entry, and Trenchard's ultimate aim was to restrict promotion to the rank of inspector solely to those who had passed through it. The experiment died, and it need not be regretted in the form it had taken. But the problem of quality remained, and it has in fact transpired that a high proportion of the officers showing most initiative in the 1960s and 1970s in bringing about reforms in methods and training were products of the brief Hendon venture.

Society has become more complex and diverse. Criminals have grown adept at exploiting new technologies, and the political environment in which the police must operate has become far more sensitive. Lestrade would be many fathoms further out of his depth today than he ever was in Baker Street. The need for the leaders of the police to be equipped to analyse the problems of their role in the widest social and political context has become inescapable. There is still some suspicion of the high-fliers from Bramshill, but though it provides an accelerated route up the ladder of promotion for the most promising, it is not a separate ladder: there are no two classes of officers who have pounded the beat and those who have not.

Efforts in the past few years to widen the training of those destined to be leaders have grown still more intense. Even so, there is cause to doubt whether they have gone far enough. The coal strike has shown how any chief constable in the country can be challenged with problems of national significance and prominence: they need comparable skills. The best chief constables are plainly of high calibre, but their quality is still very uneven.

For ten years Bramshill has been providing scholarships for its former students to read for honours degrees, mostly in law, and more graduates than in the past are entering the police at the bottom. But the proportion of graduates in the upper ranks is still low by comparison with that among army officers, now about a third. Degrees by themselves are not everything. But there is still more to be done to ensure that the leaders of Britain's police in the next century are fully equipped for their task.

Room in engineering

From Professor B. Crossland

Sir, I am surprised that Mr Tom King (report, May 24) finds that it is "astonishing" at a time of such unemployment that there is a shortage of skilled people to fill key jobs. What can he expect when for many years higher and further education have been starved of the money needed to re-equip their laboratories for the new technologies, and when government have not provided the financial inducements to industry to provide the training places needed?

In engineering departments of our institutions of higher education the annual grant for capital equipment amounts to only a few per cent of the capital cost of the installed equipment. This has always been inadequate, but at the present time, when the rate of change is very great, it is completely inadequate.

It must also be noted that the early retirement scheme introduced in higher education to meet the financial cuts imposed by the Government has particularly hit the engineering departments. Reductions of staff in engineering departments have not been made good by the small fraction of new-blood appointments allocated to engineering and in any case academic salaries are inadequate to attract staff in the new technologies.

Industry has, during the period of recession, cut its training places to the bone and those large firms who used to train many more people than they needed no longer do so. There is no indication that the number of training places is increasing, despite the signs of economic recovery.

If we are to produce the skilled people then Mr Tom King and his Cabinet colleagues will have to accept the need for pump-priming to quickly increase the number of training places to meet the needs of industry.

Yours faithfully,
B. CROSSLAND,
Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering,
The Queen's University of Belfast,
Ashby Institute,
Stranmillis Road,
Belfast.
May 28.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

True perspective on Indian failings

From Mr F. A. Sharman

Sir, Let me try to disentangle the threads of truth from the strands of fallacy in your dangerous leading article (May 29) on India and the Third World.

True, the bureaucracy of India, like that of most developing countries, stifles wealth-producing motivations at all levels and glues up the mechanisms of rational priority. False, that more enlightened home-grown politicians and economists could evoke from the villages, temples, fields and bursting cities of the world of the poor the ambition that drives and lubricates the engines in Hongkong, Singapore and South Korea.

True, that India turned to socialist philosophy and the Soviet example. False, that given the psychological and political history leading to and stemming from the Nehru-Ghandi eras, anything resembling democracy could conceivably have produced any other result.

True, that the "North" should reduce restrictions on imports from the Third World. False, that it can do so as part of a campaign to teach democracies the folly of their ways by abolishing aid and restricting credit.

Missing from your article, as from the Brandt report, is proper acknowledgement of the role of the transfer of appropriate technology in the mitigation of the North-South disparities. Even a marginal improvement in the control that the average Asian or African worker has over the tools of his trade, the fuel and power at his disposal, and his ability to visualise escape from his poverty, will set hundreds of millions of suffering people on the road to rescue.

Engineers can do something about this; politicians, economists and journalists are merely ancillaries.

Yours faithfully,
F. ANDREW SHARMAN,
The Athenaeum,
Pall Mall, SW1.
May 29.

From Mrs Ranjani Ranganath

Sir, May I be allowed to comment on your editorial on India (May 29) please.

You complain that the government has a stranglehold on the market place. Without a state distribution system, for instance, in an economy where demand far outstrips supply in essentials, you allow the poor and underprivileged absolutely no chance to compete in the open market. At least the current woefully inadequate system ensures that some essentials reach the most vulnerable sections of society through a form of controlled pricing and rationing.

As for heavy industry, the government has had to provide the highly capital-intensive investment needed to provide the means to protect our borders. You can hardly buy your tanks from the Russians for ever.

The contribution made by multinationals in India has been primarily in the consumer goods industry, e.g., supplying toothpaste and batteries to the urban elite. Hardly the stuff that inspires a developing nation to open its doors to foreign capital.

I do not for a moment dispute your view that economic regulations have been used to bolster a regime that relies more on rhetoric and dogma than deed and has created a gargantuan bureaucracy of monstrous inefficiency. I defer to your view that development aid must be justified in its use by the recipient. I only ask that you do not judge Third World economies by Western yardsticks.

Free enterprise is not the panacea for all ills that it is made out to be. Regulatory devices try and restore some fairness in the distribution of pathetically scarce goods and services where the poor would certainly perish without them. Public-sector assets are there to try and build an infrastructure which promotes self-reliance and independence from the West, which is viewed with some suspicion.

Whether this view is justified is rather subjective an assessment and is best left to wiser heads than mine. But let us remember that we are discussing a nation which was open to colonial exploitation less than four decades ago.

Yours faithfully,
RANJANI RANGANATH,
10 Hillside,
Pitmedden,
Ellon,
Aberdeenshire.
May 30.

Voting abroad

From Mr F. M. M. Steiner

Sir, The elections for the European Assembly are being held in most member countries on June 17; in the British Isles however they take place on June 14. In an EEC-wide election this seems particularly absurd, but it raises the wider question of why elections in this country must always be on a Thursday and none other. Even the local council elections that used to take place on Saturdays have been moved to Thursdays over the last 20 years.

Finally, why must elections be held on a main working day at all, when they take place on Sundays in most countries, and even in weekend-conscious Australia on Saturdays? The inconvenience to at least some people probably deters some voters, and the very long voting hours compensate perhaps only partly for this.

Elections at weekends or holidays would avoid the very long and expensive polling hours and the need to close hundreds of schools for yet another day – particularly in a term already afflicted by examinations and extra Bank holidays.

Yours faithfully,
F. M. M. STEINER,
26 Oakeshott Avenue, W6.
May 28.

Human embryos

From Mrs Elizabeth J. Peacock, MP for Batley and Spen (Conservative)

Sir, The social and moral issues that derive from pregnancies in women who take part in various forms of experimental procedures give rise to concern that may demand legislation.

Whilst I have every sympathy with childless wives and with the progress of experimental medicine, more control is needed on developments in this area.

A question has to be asked about the acceptability of drug treatment to promote pregnancy where there is a possibility of multiple births. Multiple births may well be a pleasure to some women and a delight to the media; however, they would be a serious burden to many families if their appearance was allowed to become the norm.

The development of the so-called test-tube baby technique provides serious issues of legitimacy, inheritance and custody that need the intervention of legislation before the technique could become acceptable in Britain. Similar consideration will be necessary to determine the advisability of allowing pregnancies utilising surrogate mothers.

The whole of this area of experimental pregnancy is, on the face of it, acceptable so long as the children it produces are healthy. The greatest dilemma will be when a handicapped child is born – hence the need for parliamentary intervention.

Yours etc,
ELIZABETH J. PEACOCK,
House of Commons.
May 29.

GLC advertising

From Mr Alan Greengross

Sir, The Leader of the GLC, in his letter (May 30), once again manages to convey a completely false impression.

His claim that his £3m publicity campaign to save the GLC is under the control of an all-party committee is technically correct. The Conservative group are indeed represented on the GLC's Special Committee on Matters Relating to the Council's Future Existence and Functions (to give it its full title).

What he signally fails to point out is that Conservative members on that committee have consistently voted against the Labour Party's anti-abolition publicity expenditure. Indeed our opposition is a matter of record and has been widely publicised (not least by Mr Livingstone and his colleagues when it suits them).

Our reasons are manifold. The sums of money are unwarranted, the campaign itself all too often overkills and it is probably wrongly targeted. But the overriding reason is that I no longer believe (if indeed I ever did) that Mr Livingstone wants to do anything other than use County Hall as a vehicle for confrontation. Indeed, his actions throughout are only consistent with a person who actually wishes to destroy local government as we know it.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN GREENGROSS,
Leader of the Opposition,
Greater London Council,
The County Hall, SE1.
May 30.

Teachers' pay claim

From the Chairman of Lincolnshire Education Committee

Sir, Teachers do themselves a great disservice by the means and timing of their pay claims and the actions that they take against children.

They completely ignore the local education authorities' ability to pay higher wages without sacrificing jobs, which neither side wants.

Why, oh why, can't there be a means of indexation in return for a no-industrial-action guarantee?

Yours faithfully,
PHILIP NEWTON, Chairman,
Lincolnshire Education Committee,
County Offices,
Lincoln.

Pursued by a bear

From Mr Fred Uhlman

Sir, Mrs Nunns mentions in her letter (May 25) that some members of the crew of the Hecla, which sailed from Hammerfest in 1827, shot two bears and ate them "which made some of the crew very ill."

I believe I know the illness. In the twenties a restaurant in my home town announced with large letters *Heute Bärenschinken* ("Today, bear ham").

I was greatly tempted because, having read innumerable Red Indian stories, I knew that the Indians consider the ham of a bear a great delicacy. Luckily I missed the feast. Others were less lucky. Eighteen died of trichinosis, a disease common not only in pigs but also in bears, foxes and other animals.

Yours faithfully,
FRED UHLMAN,
47 Downshire Hill, NW3.
May 27.

Suffolk punch

From Mr D. L. Arnold

Sir, Those people who insist on bypassing Ipswich ("I do like to see the seaside", May 31) deserve no better than to have the beauty of Suffolk withheld from their eyes as they cross the Orwell Bridge.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID ARNOLD,
Molen,
Bucklesham Road,
Foxhall,
Ipswich, Suffolk,
May 31.

Modern architecture in its place

From Mr Alec Clifton-Taylor

Sir, The controversy aroused by the Prince of Wales's speech at the RIBA banquet is of immense importance to what might be termed the visual future of this country, and I share to the full your admiration of the Prince's courage in "carrying the attack into the very tent of the profession" (leading article, June 1). Through the years I have devoted much thought to this subject and have reached some positive conclusions.

First, it seems to me vital that architects should be free to design in the idiom of their own time, taking full advantage of the marvellous technical advances of the present century, which enable them to span spaces undreamed of in any previous age, and so on.

But so revolutionary have these advances been, so exciting, at best so imaginative, that the buildings of today have hardly any affinity with those erected before, at the earliest, 1850. Moreover, and this is an essential point, the new materials, concrete, steel and glass, consort very uncomfortably indeed with the traditional ones, stone, brick and wood.

Thus the right place for buildings in the modern idiom must always be in isolation. In your leader today you cite the Crystal Palace as "a high-tech building if ever there was one": yes indeed, and on both its sites it stood quite apart. In Glasgow the new home of the Burrell Collection is comparable: an excellent contemporary museum owing no debt to the propinquity of earlier buildings in quite a different style.

In cities full of traditional architecture the situation is very different. Here, is seems to me, good manners, if nothing else, absolutely require the modern architect to "fit in".

The National Gallery extension is a case in point. Wilkins's building, as you say, is no masterpiece, but an addition must surely be in scale with it, and be faced with Portland stone. (Incidentally, the notion of a National Gallery extension being little more than the superstructure of an office block is almost unbelievably mean-minded, but that is another question.)

In my view, Prince Charles's excoriation of this proposed extension to the gallery is very much to the point. Trafalgar Square is no place for a building like this.

Yours faithfully,
ALEC CLIFTON-TAYLOR,
15 Clareville Grove, SW7.
June 1.

From Mr P. H. Wolton

Sir, Prince Charles attacks modern architects for not addressing themselves to the needs of the ultimate user of their buildings. Nor, it appears, did the Prince when he criticized the Mansion House scheme and it is very much to be hoped this aspect will be fully discussed in the public enquiry.

The requirements of the City office market are such that there is a genuine threat that the SAVE refurbishment scheme or an equivalent would remain unlet. Self-contained buildings with small floor areas above shops are not what organizations, such as banks, require. They look for buildings with prestigious entrance halls and which provide large open floor areas with deep floor and ceiling ducts to accommodate all the technology the modern office needs.

Furthermore, firms which might take space provided by the SAVE scheme, such as solicitors, would not pay prevailing rents in the area when they can be housed far cheaper on the City fringe.

There is a ready demand for the Mies scheme and this is a major reason why it should be built, giving another noteworthy addition to an increasingly exciting City skyline. The one drawback of the current proposal is the formation of a square, or traffic island.

The SAVE scheme rightly stresses that much of the City's character comes from its complex street and alley network, often achieved by tall buildings flanking narrow streets. I suggest that the City Corporation, having accepted the Mies scheme, should erect another fine building on the site of the square.

Yours faithfully,
PETER WOLTON,
49 Nevern Square, SW5.
June 1.

From Mr Raymond Andrews

Sir, Before every architect in the realm disappears underneath the arches for ever and the building industry comes to a halt, may I remind your readers that every year many good new buildings are erected throughout the country to the pleasure of the occupiers and the community.

This fact has been demonstrated for many years by the Civic Trust award scheme that includes non-architect assessors and is community-based.

Yours faithfully,
RAYMOND ANDREWS,
Chairman,
Festival of Architecture,
Royal Institute of British Architects,
66 Portland Place, W1.
June 2.

From Mrs Hilary Talbot-Ponsonby

Sir, I wholeheartedly agree with the general tenor of the speech by HRH the Prince of Wales at the RIBA. Fifty years ago, when I was an architectural student, I was given Trystan Edwards's book, *Good and Bad Manners in Architecture.* Architecture is the most visual art. We can choose not to look at a picture, not to read a book, not to listen to a concert. We cannot choose not to look at a building.

A large, well-designed building can be "bad manners" in a street of small buildings. A glass skyscraper can be "bad manners" in the vicinity of a cathedral. Any building that denigrates its neighbours is showing bad manners, like an over-dressed woman at a simple party. Similarly, quite simple buildings can enhance the street scene.

"Good manners" is one of the most important concepts in architectural design.

Yours etc,
HILARY TALBOT-PONSONBY,
38 Kitsbury Road,
Berkhamstead,
Hertfordshire.
June 1.

Comrades in arms

From Mr Michael Liebert

Sir, The D-Day ceremonies on June 6 are commemorating an event which we consider the turning point in the war, although, no doubt, the Russians feel that this was reached rather earlier at the gates of Stalingrad.

However, this is not the point at issue. The important point is that the war was ultimately won by a concerted effort of the four major Powers, and one of these Powers was Russia. I do, therefore, feel very strongly that it would have been politically astute as well as generous to invite a Russian deputation to attend these ceremonies.

Thus speaks one ex-Serviceman, German-born of Jewish parentage, emigré to South Africa after release by the Gestapo, since 1953 happily settled in England as a British subject.

Yours faithfully,
M. LIEBERT,
Saddler's Mead,
Cooks Lane,
Walderton,
Chichester,
Sussex.
June 1.

Without benefit

From Mrs Nancy Small

Sir, It seems the computer staff at DHSS Newcastle are on strike although I have scanned the pages of *The Times* in vain for confirmation of the fact. Perhaps my eyesight has become clouded with anxiety.

My monthly retirement pension cheque is now almost two weeks overdue. I have dropped this fact casually into conversation with my daughter to pave the way for the shaming possibility of having to ask for a loan.

I do *have* a daughter. I can also go cap in hand to my building society, although if memory serves me right I shall have to wait three months before I see the colour of my money. There must be hundreds of people without benefit of daughters, sons *or* building societies and what are *they* supposed to do?

"Claims are being processed manually", it is said, to which I add a sour ha-ha among the trumpets and wish I did indeed smell the battle afar off and hear the thunder of the captains, and the shouting. All I hear is the deafening silence from my letterbox. Is anybody going to *do* anything about this?

Yours faithfully,
NANCY SMALL,
58 Dean Avenue,
Craigiebank,
Dundee,
Tayside.
May 22.

Horror of Dresden

From Mr D. R. Leighton

Sir, It is proper to recall the horror of Dresden, and also the bomber pilots' regrets. It is also fitting to mention the painstaking restoration.

The Zwinger palace in particular has been rebuilt according to Pöppelmann's eighteenth-century drawings. It houses a unique collection of mathematical instruments and objets d'art, the vast porcelain treasury of Augustus the Strong, paintings by Raphaël and a room full of Rembrandts.

When I visited Dresden in 1981 all this was being observed and enjoyed by a new generation of eager young people. Thus can civilization's wounds be healed if they are allowed to.

Yours faithfully,
D. R. LEIGHTON,
The Croft,
Snelsmore,
Newbury, Berkshire.
May 29.

Danube short-cut

From Mr Ion Ratiu

Sir, The self-congratulatory, festive opening of the Danube-Black Sea canal – "this milestone in Balkan history" (report, May 26) – should not go by without a pious thought to honour those who dug it as slave labourers more than 30 years ago.

Exact figures remain a state secret but it is reliably estimated that more than 100,000 people, the ruling classes of democratic Romania, were ground to death at this mammoth enterprise, deliberately used by the Communists as an extermination camp.

Yours faithfully,
ION RATIU,
54-62 Regent Street, W1.
May 29.

Just deserts

From Mr Max Nicholson

Sir, I normally pass over your more peculiar misprints with only a faint smile, but the "growing desertification of much of once arable officials" which you now report from Madrid (May 28) surely demands more serious attention.

As some of us have long been pointing out, the same process in Whitehall is spreading desertification all over Britain. When will the drought end? If these officials are indeed arable, should they not be ploughed?

Yours sincerely,
MAX NICHOLSON,
13 Upper Cheyne Row, SW3.
May 28.

* The phrase should have read: "growing desertification of much once arable land, a situation repeatedly denounced by conservationists and officials."



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

CLARENCE HOUSE
June 2: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this morning arrived in Portsmouth in H M Yacht Britannia.

In the afternoon Her Majesty opened St George's Court, flats of the Church of England Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Clubs in Southsea.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother this evening gave a Reception on board H M Yacht Britannia.

June 3: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother today visited Portsmouth, and was present this morning at a Service in Portsmouth Cathedral to mark the fortieth Anniversary of D-Day.

In the afternoon Her Majesty, attended by the Dowager Duchess of Abercorn, Lady Angela Oswald, Sir Martin Gilliat, Captain Alastair Aird and Captain James Lowther-Pinkerton, disembarked from H M Yacht Britannia.

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother opened the D-Day Museum in Portsmouth, and subsequently returned to Windsor in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE
June 2: The Prince of Wales, President of the International Council of United World Colleges, and President of the Mary Rose Trust, accompanied by The Princess of Wales, this evening attended a dinner in aid of United World Colleges and the Mary Rose Trust at Sutton Place, Guildford, Surrey.

Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith and Lieutenant-Colonel David Bromhead were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE:
June 2: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, visited the International Garden Festival in Liverpool today.

Her Royal Highness travelled in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Miss Jean Maxwell-Scott was in attendance.

A memorial service for Major-General V. D. Thomas, RM, will take place at the Church of St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall, in the City of London, at noon on Thursday, June 14.

A memorial service for the life of Professor Cedric Carter will be held at 3pm, on Monday, June 18, 1984, at St George the Martyr, Queen Square, London, WC1.

Parliament this week

Commons. Today (2.30): Co-operative Development Agency and Industrial Development Bill, remaining stages.
Tomorrow (2.30): Data Protection Bill, remaining stages.
Wednesday (2.30): Agricultural Holdings Bill, remaining stages.
Thursday (2.30): Debate on Opposition motion on the miners' dispute.
Friday (9.30): Debate on air pollution caused by industrial plants.
Lords. Today (2.30): Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, second reading.
Tomorrow (2.30): Rates Bill, report, first day. Cycle Tracks Bill, committee.
Wednesday (2.30): Debate on EEC committee report on successor to Lome Convention. Video Recordings Bill, report. Debate on the Lebanon.
Thursday (3): Rating and Valuation (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill, third reading. London Regional Transport Bill, report, first day. Juries (Disqualification) Bill, committee.

Clifford Longley

A conservative case for Christ

The *Daily Telegraph* has urged Professor David Jenkins not to let himself go forward for consecration as Bishop of Durham in July; *The Guardian* says he should (quoting and disagreeing with the *Daily Telegraph*). *The Times* has not ventured to advise him on the point, though it is not happy with his now notorious remarks on television concerning the Virgin Birth, the Resurrection and similar matters. (*The Times*, May 26, *The Daily Telegraph*, May 30, *The Guardian*, May 31.)

The debate, in the papers and elsewhere, has so far been about one point – whether he should become a bishop – and not, so far, about the issue he himself raised: the reinterpretation of traditional belief. Even when that has been touched on, it has been in terms of the desirability or not of reinterpretation in general. There has been surprisingly little willingness to enter the lists against him, to argue on strict theological grounds against the reinterpretations he has offered. The theological debate which ought to be happening is not happening. It has been enough, apparently, for the professor's opponents to sloganize against him.

This gives a false impression that there is not much of a case for the "conservative" understanding of the Virgin Birth, the Resurrection and so on, whereas the argument is a powerful one. If, for instance, nothing miraculous occurred at the event of Jesus's conception, the implications are enormous, far wider than Professor Jenkins's preference (which is all it was) for the notion of a God who "plays by the rules" of science.

It means Jesus had a natural father. This was either Joseph or someone else. If it was Joseph, those New Testament references to his thinking his betrothed wife was made pregnant by another man are not just "religious myth" – they are deliberate lies, either by Joseph himself, or someone else who made them up. If it was not Joseph but indeed another man, then Mary's story was a lie. Joseph was deceived (or an accomplice in the lie), and the Gospel writers were "taken in".

The question for Professor Jenkins, and for modern theologians of his persuasion, is not whether they can reinterpret the dogma of the Virgin Birth to keep its substance as religious truth while being doubtful about miracles, but who, then, was Jesus's father, and how do they avoid casting aspersions at the integrity (and chastity) of Joseph and Mary?

The Resurrection is a similar case. If there was no empty tomb, no early morning sightings, then Jesus lies buried still in Palestine. The implications are again enormous. Many people lied.

Modern theologians may insist on an objective quality to the Resurrection, something that really happened apart from invention or hallucination and this may indeed be an adequately orthodox conviction of the truth of the dogma in itself. But do they read, say, the twenty-fourth chapter of Luke as a tall story, with a sceptical smile, muttering "Go on, pull the other one"? If it is not true, it is dishonest to describe it as myth or allegory: the story is preposterous, and countless generations who have taken it as a more or less fair account of the events in question were utterly deceived. And the very text is calculated to deceive in that way, the detail deliberately fabricated with that end.

It must be a mark of the immense faith of modern theologians, that they can believe in the essential truth of a religion whose earliest followers, and the writers of its foundation documents, were such liars.

The question for the jury is whether Luke 24, for instance, reads like a poetic allegory or truth-bearing myth and story, or is it meant to be believed in the way that, say, the writings of Julius Caesar (of approximately the same period) were meant to be believed? It is a rhetorical question.

That Jesus had a natural father, Joseph or some unknown seducer; that his bones lie buried somewhere; and that many lies were told to cover up these facts, is the position the modern liberal theologian has to defend; it may be easier to believe in miracles . . . or in atheism.

On the assumption that this "liberal" position is in fact intellectually defensible, however, there is another trap waiting. The fabrication-allegory-myth Gospels were compiled, it would have to be argued, for good purpose, namely to buttress and fortify Jesus's unique role in the Christian theology of salvation. For that theology to work, and to claim acceptance, it was later convenient to call Jesus "the Son of God" or "true God and true man".

Such assertions were never likely to be made, nor likely to be believed, in that early church or this present one if it was generally taken to be the case that Jesus had a natural father and his bones lie buried. Claims for his uniqueness, to put it no higher than that, would look rather weak.

Liberal theology has to explain what has changed so that Jesus's central role in the Christian religion no longer needs the support of stories believed to be founded upon fact, stories which these theologians now think imaginative legends whose purpose was to emphasize religious truths (which the theologians themselves still do believe). Why should those truths survive, once people realize the stories were made up?

Marriages

Lord Annaly and Mrs B. Healy

The marriage took place quietly in Hampshire on May 31 between Lord Annaly and Mrs Beverley Healy.

Lord Russell of Liverpool and Dr G. F. Albano

The marriage took place on Saturday at Holy Trinity Church, Stourpaine, Dorset, of Lord Russell of Liverpool, eldest son of the late Hon L. G. H. Russell and of the Hon Mrs Russell, of Stourpaine, to Dr Gilda Albano, youngest daughter of the late Signor F. Albano and of Signora Maria Caputo-Albano. The Rev D. A. Farquharson-Roberts officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by Mr R. J. Howard, was attended by the Hon Emma Russell, the Hon Annabel Russell and the Hon Lucy Russell. The Hon Adam Russell was best man.

A reception was held in Stourpaine and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr P. Haworth and the Hon Hester Freeman-Grenville

The marriage, with nuptial Mass and apostolic blessing, took place on Saturday in St Lawrence's Abbey, Ampleforth, between Mr Peter Haworth, younger son of Mr and Mrs A. F. C. P. Haworth, of Ganthorpe, York, and the Hon Hester Freeman-Grenville, younger daughter of Dr G. S. P. Freeman-Grenville and Lady Kinloss, of Sheriff Hutton, York, the Very Rev Columba Cary-Elwes, OSB, officiated, assisted by Father Joseph Coulthard.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white grosgrain silk with a net overskirt and a veil of antique lace. she carried a bouquet of silk flowers. Rachel and Victoria Williams and Miss Christine Haworth, sister of the bridegroom, attended her. mr Antony Haworth, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

A reception was held at St William's College, York.

Mr J. G. M. Haines and the Hon Emma Bancroft

The marriage took place on Saturday in the Henry VII Chapel of Westminster Abbey of Mr Jeremy Guy Minton Haines, son of Mr and Mrs G. D. M. Haines, to the Hon Emma Charlotte Bancroft, daughter of Lord and Lady Bancroft. The Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Alan Luff.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore an Edwardian-style gown of ivory-coloured silk and lace and a silk tulle veil scattered with small pearls held in place by a headress of orchids. She carried a bouquet of roses, lilies and orchids. Miss Sasha Haines attended her and Mr Timothy Haines was best man.

A reception was held at the United Oxford and Cambridge University Club and the honeymoon will be spent in Kenya.

Mr J. S. Smith and Miss A. N. Le B. Laskey

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Mary Magdalene, Loders, Dorset, of Mr Sam Smith, son of Mr Oliver Smith, of Old Turks, Iden, near Rye, Sussex, and Miss Audrey Laskey, daughter of Sir Denis and Lady Laskey, of Loders Mill, near Bridport, Dorset. The Right Rev G. L. Tiarks and the Rev Alex Martin officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Tomas and Flora Cornish, Miss Ellen Laskey and Miss Hilary Thompson. Mr Ivo Hesmondhalgh was best man.

Captain N. A. D. F. Gordon-Creed and Miss M. E. Tuke

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St Peter and the Holy Cross, Wherwell, Hampshire, of Captain Nicholas Gordon-Creed, eldest son of Lieutenant-Colonel G. A. Gordon-Creed, of South Carolina, United States, and of Mrs B. M. Jenks, of Farringdon, Hampshire, to Miss Margaret Eva Tuke, only daughter of Sir Anthony and Lady Tuke, of Wherwell, Hampshire. The Dean of Edinburgh and the Rev C. M. Hubbard officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of silk satin and antique lace and a lace veil held in place by a headdress of flowers and pearls. Christopher Tuke, Douglas Vaughan and Miss Jane Jenks attended her. Mr Hugo Broadfoot was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent in Italy.

Mr M. H. Lines and Miss S. L. Baird

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Ninian's, Troon, of Mr Mark Hendrey Lines, son of Mr and Mrs W. G. Lines, of The Old Rectory, Winterborne, Strickland, Dorset, to Miss Sarah Louise Baird, daughter of Vice-Admiral Sir Thomas and Lady Baird, of Craigrethill, Symington, Ayrshire. The Rev Timothy Morris officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Edward Bradford, James Robinson, Charlotte and Sophie Macfarlane, Emily Forrester, Lucy Walters and Miss Kate Smith. Mr Nicholas Macfarlane was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr P. Allen and Miss C. F. Strick

The marriage of Mr Paul Allen and Miss Carol Strick took place on June 1 at Haywards Heath, Sussex. A reception was held at the bride's home.

Mr P. M. Bailhache and Miss L. Le Vavasseur dit Durell

The marriage took place in Jersey on Saturday, June 2, between Mr Philip Bailhache, elder son of Jurat and Mrs L. V. Bailhache, and Miss Linda Le Vavasseur dit Durell, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs M. G. Le Vavasseur dit Durell.

Mr P. Nealon and Miss M. J. Woodburn

The marriage took place on June 2, 1984, at St Edmund's Church, Tendring, Essex, between Mr Patrick Nealon, eldest son of the late Mr J. N. Nealon, and of Mrs Joan Nealon, Hyndland, Glasgow, and Miss Mary Jane Woodburn, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Alec Woodburn, Tendring Lodge, Essex.

Mr P. G. Bartle and Mrs E. F. Rootkin

The marriage took place quietly on May 31, at Solihull, of Mr Peter Bartle and Mrs Elizabeth Rootkin (née Dalley).

The bride was attended by Virginia and Robin Rootkin, Cloe and Jethro Bartle and Rachael Brooker.

Mr F. A. Reed and Miss L. A. Edwards

The marriage took place on May 26 at Holy Trinity Church, Jersey, between Mr Frank Reed, son of Mr and Mrs William Reed, of Purley, Berkshire, and Miss Louise Edwards, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Edwards, of La Maison Maret, Trinity.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Sally Wright, Miss Sarah Le Marquand, Miss Annabelle Fraser, Miss Juliette Delafield, Christian Delafield and Harry Fraser. Mr Nick Metcalf was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride.

Forthcoming marriages

Baron Hubert du Breuil and Lady Joanna Knatchbull

The engagement is announced between Hubert Henry Francois, younger son of Baron and Baronne du Breuil, of Paris, and Joanna Edwina Doreen, elder daughter of Lord Brabourne and Countess Mountbatten of Burma.

Mr C. S. Stokes and Miss D. C. Down

The engagement is announced between Christopher, younger son of Captain and Mrs Patrick Stokes, of co Wicklow, Republic of Ireland, and Caroline, elder daughter of Sir Alastair and Lady Down, of Stockleigh Pomeroy, Devon.

Mr G. H. Archdale and Miss S. A. Boyles

The engagement is announced between Gilbert, son of the late Captain Humphrys Archdale, RN, and the late Molly Archdale, of High Halden, Kent, and Susan, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D. J. Boyles, of Enton, Surrey.

Mr N. S. Blackwell and Miss E. P. Mauran

The engagement is announced between Nigel, younger son of the late Richard Blackwell and Mrs Blackwell, of Tubney House, near Abingdon, and Eliza, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Frank Mauran, of 109 Benefit Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Mr R. J. Dampney and Miss L. K. Rigby

The engagement is announced between Richard John Dampney, MRCVS, son of Mr and Mrs David Dampney, of Boveridge Farm, Cranborne, Dorset, and Lesley Kathryn Rigby, MRCVS, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Norman Rigby, of West Common Way, Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

Mr D. C. S. Esse and Mrs J. A. Swan

The engagement is announced between David, of The Old Yew Tree, Horsley, near Stroud, Gloucestershire, son of the late Brigadier and Mrs F. A. Esse, and Jennifer, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. F. Snowden, of 30 Old Palace Lane, Richmond, Surrey.

Mr I. W. Fieldhouse and Miss P. A. Strawson

The engagement is announced between Ian, eldest son of Mr and Mrs W. T. Fieldhouse, of Sonning Common, Oxfordshire, and Penny, daughter of Squadron Leader and Mrs C. R. Strawson, of Wantage, Oxfordshire.

Mr P. Goelet and Miss A. Hoegh

The engagement is announced between Philip, eldest son of Mr and Mrs John Goelet, of London and New York, and Anette, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ove Hoegh, of Oslo, Norway.

Mr N. M. Healey and Miss E. C. W. Edleston

The engagement is announced between Nigel, elder son of Commander and Mrs K. G. T. Healey, of Cosham, Hampshire, and Eve, younger daughter of Commander and Mrs G. A. G. Edleston, of Lee-on-Solent, Hampshire.

University news

London
The following honorary degrees will be conferred on Foundation Day, November 14:
DLitt: Mrs Laura Ashley, Professor Sir William Coldstream, Professor Geoffrey Elton and Sir Huw Wheldon.
DL: Sir Michael Clapham, Miss Esther Simpson.
DSc: Professor Sir Derek Barton.
DSc in Economics: Professor Sir Raymond Firth.
DSc in Medicine: Dr Denis Burkitt.



Mrs Laura Ashley: An honorary doctorate

Birthdays today

General Sir Cecil Blacker, 68; Mr Bob Champion, 36; Sir Christopher Cockerell, 74; Mr A H C Greenwood, 67; the Earl of Halsbury, 76; Miss Andrea Jaeger, 19; the Right Rev Dr J M Key, 79; the Right Rev Dr J R H Moorman, 79; Mr Geoffrey Palmer, 57; Mr John Sparrow, 51; Sir Ronald Wates 77; Professor J C West, 62 Sir Martin Wilkinson, 73.

Luncheons

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister was host at a luncheon at Chequers on Saturday in honour of Mr P W Botha, Prime Minister of South Africa.

The other guests were:
Mr R F Botha, Mr J H van Dalsen, Mr L D Barnard, the Chargé d'Affaires of South Africa, Mr C von Hirschberg, Mr A L Manley, Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, MP, Mr Malcolm Rifkind, MP, Sir Antony Acland, Sir John Leahy and Mr John Coles.

Dinners

International Military Services Limited
Sir John Cuckney, Chairman of International Military Services Limited, presided on Thursday at a dinner held at Goldsmiths' Hall and proposed a toast to the guests. Mr Geoffrey Pattie, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, replied on behalf of the guests.

The guests included:
The Earl of Limerick, Earl Jellicoe, Lord Aldington, Lord Chalfont, Lord Weinstock, Sir Peter Anson, Sir Ronald Ellis, Sir Philip Fureman, Sir Trevor Holdsworth, Admiral Sir Raymond Lygo, Sir Clive Whitmore, Sir Max Williams, Captain Sir Miles Wingate, Mr J D Alun Jones, Mr J Blyth, Mr M W Clark, Mr F Clarke, Mr I J Fraser, Mr P K Levene, Mr T Mayer, Mr R G C Messervy, Mr D H Perry and Mr D G Scholey.

Science report

Thermoluminescence dating proves its prehistoric worth

By Norman Hammond
Archaeology Correspondent

Thermoluminescence dating, the measurement of the steady accumulation of alpha particles within the crystal lattice of an anciently burnt material, has now been established as a useful and reliable method for the period of human prehistory from the end of the last ice age back for at least a quarter of a million years.

Because radiocarbon dating is inefficient earlier than 50,000 years ago (or perhaps double that with the new accelerator technique), the crucial period of human cultural and biological development that embraced the first appearance of *Homo sapiens*, the Neaderthalers, and the emergence of our own species *Homo sapiens sapiens* has had a somewhat shaky chronology until now.

A paper given last week by Mrs Joan Huxtable and Dr Martin Aitken of Oxford University, at the Archaeometry Symposium in Washington, detailed the results of thermoluminescent (TL) dating of flint from sites in Britain, France and the Low Countries, which are consistent with the geological dates for the deposits as well as with some uranium-series dates.

The thermoluminescence method depends on the fact that when a material such as flint is heated beyond a threshold temperature, the accumulated natural luminescence is dispersed, the "clock" is set back to zero, and new accumulation begins. The quantity of alpha particles can be measured as visible light, and will increase through time, so that the older the original burning, the more precise the measurement is likely to be, although an uncertainty of about 7 per cent is likely to remain in even the most accurate TL dates.

The latest site measured, the Mesolithic occupation at Longmoor Enclosure in Hampshire, produced TL dates from 7,800 to 10,000 years ago, fully in accord with radiocarbon dating of sites with similar flint tool assemblages. Another Mesolithic site, on Hengistbury Head in Dorset, yielded dates from 7,000 to 12,300 years, averaging 9,700 plus or minus 900 years, while the earlier Upper Palaeolithic site in the same location had six dates averaging 12,500 years ago.

At a much earlier period, the Pontnewydd Cave in North Wales, where remains of early Neanderthal humans have been found together with a flint tool industry of Acheulean type, has yielded a TL date of 200,000 years, plus or minus 25,000 years, for a flint tool found in close association with a human tooth. This fits with uranium-series dates of 160,000 to 230,000 years for the levels above and below.

"These datings are important in establishing this site as the most northerly human occupation of a middle Pleistocene interglacial (the Holstein)", Mrs Huxtable and Dr Aitken say

A more problematical site of apparently similar date, the cave of La Cotte de St Brelade in Jersey, had complex local geology that led to highly variable environmental dose rates, an important deranging factor in TL measurement.

A high resolution gamma spectrometer was used to predict doses for the soils, which were checked by other methods. Eventualy six flints from layers C and D were dated, giving an average of 238,000 plus or minus 35,000 years, a date much earlier than expected but was not irreconcilable with the archaeological evidence.

The earliest of the sites studied, at Belvedere, near Maastricht, in Holland, was in a large quarry, and has produced two dates averaging 285,000 plus or minus 45,000 years; the fossil evidence suggests a temperate climate, compatible with events at either the upper or the lower limit of the statistical error range, and the investigators conclude that more samples are needed to resolve the problem.

Mail on Sunday censured for slight to Press council

The Mail on Sunday failed to give proper prominence to an adjudication which censured it, the Press Council said yesterday.

The original report said a delegation of two Soviet generals would be entertained at Edinburgh University at a cost of several thousand pounds of taxpayers' money. In fact, they were to attend a military strategy conference and their expenses were being met from the university's private sources.

A second finding by the Press Council announced yesterday was:

The false assertion that Russian generals would be entertained by Edinburgh University at the taxpayers' expense was given major prominence in a lead story occupying half the front page and part of page two of *The Mail on Sunday*.

When the Press Council upheld a complaint that the story was false and malicious, its adjudication censuring *The Mail on Sunday* was published at the foot of page 18 under a bland headline.

Although the newspaper printed the text of the adjudication in full, the Press Council finds that *The Mail on Sunday* failed in its moral obligation to give prominence to the censure and correction commensurate with that which it gave to the offending report.

● Having wrongly advised readers that the Inland Revenue had cleared a tax avoidance scheme, *The Sunday Times* should have published a correction as soon as possible, the council said in another adjudication.

It upheld a complaint by the chartered accountants, Gordon Leighton and Co that the newspaper's Business News section wrongly advised readers and failed to remedy this promptly.

The adjudication was:

Having incorrectly advised readers that a tax avoidance scheme had been cleared by the Inland Revenue there was an onus on the newspaper to publish a correction as speedily as possible.

In the council's view the retraction of its advice published by the newspaper some sixteen months later in response to a reader's query was an inadequate remedy. The complaint against *The Sunday Times* is upheld.

OBITUARY

MR CYRIL LORD

Textile magnate who became a millionaire

Mr Cyril Lord, the "carpet king" millionaire, whose booming empire collapsed in 1968, died at his home in Barbados on May 29, aged 72, after a long illness.

Cyril Lord was born into a family of silk weavers from Macclesfield, and hand-loom weavers from Saddleworth, on July 12, 1911, and educated at Central School, Manchester, and Manchester College of Technology. At 15 he became a bank clerk, but soon left to become an apprentice at Ashworth Hadwen, a local spinning and weaving firm. Here he acquired much of the technical expertise which was to stand him in good stead.

He went to work in London at the age of 24 in one of the first firms to combine textile wholesaling with merchant converting. In the Second World War he joined the Cotton Board as an adviser. He was sent to Northern Ireland to teach the weaving of cotton from Utility fibres. The four war years he spent in Northern Ireland were probably the most fruitful of his career. They made his reputation as a technical man; reinforced the contacts with the raw material suppliers which were to be essential in the coming years of austerity, and provided him with a ready means of cash.

With the help of the Irish banks he started to buy his way into Lancashire after the war acquiring his first two weaving mills at Chorley in *1949*. Only two years later he entered the £1 million class by buying three spinning mills.

In 1954 he offered part of his company to the public and the shares were 12 times over-subscribed. The year before, the cotton industry had suffered one of its worst slumps, and Lord came back from a world tour convinced that the industry shoud be completely protected. In support of this he sent 1,200 cotton spindles to MPs, peers and industrialists and followed this up with wallets full of Japanese money. This propaganda probably helped to hasten the arrival of the Cotton Industry Act in 1959 which enabled the industry to re-equip on a large scale.

The mills however kept closing and among them were several of Lord's early acquisitions. By 1965 when the group went fully public, the spinning and weaving side of Lord's business had paled. His companies in the textile business instead of turning in profits of round the million mark as they had done some 10 years previously were now losing money.

Lord had sidestepped the crisis by adroitly switching to carpets which had continued to grow and prosper. In 1962 he announced his solution to his troubles on the textile front: he was to move his mills, lock, stock and employees to South Africa.

The poplin factory established at East London had been working for only a few months when it was realized that the demand for the product has been over-estimated. In 1965 the factory switched to making coarser stuffs such as calico and linens. Lord's interest and participation in the South African company declined.

In 1968 the fall of the company which had made Lord a millionaire before he was 50 was heralded by the failure of other business projects. Three diversification developments, dealing with the manufacture of synthetic Russian fur, vinyl flooring and Cyrilawn, came to grief.

Lord bought two Russian machines for making artificial astrakhan for his factory in Northern Ireland, but he failed to carry out adequate market research in the imitation fur which the machines had been bought to produce. The vinyl plant was an ambitious attempt to break into a completely new area of the flooring market, but he seemed to have been heedless of powerful competition. With no proper market research, he had overlooked the fact that the 12-foot widths which his vast vinyl machine could produce would be unlikely to sell in Britain.

The third scheme, for Cyrilawn which Lord once described as "the outdoor carpet", brought his business judgment into question in several quarters. The tufted carpet – woven and coloured to look like grass – was launched in style but chemical instability in the dye caused the colour to change from green to blue.

Lord's success had largely been built up using "straight-from-the-factory" sales. Together with the technical sophistication of his product, and competence of the factory, his huge profits had been brought about by rumbustious selling techniques. Here he bypassed the wholesaler and used amateur local forces, together with a full-time sales team, to follow up the coupon inquiries resulting from his huge advertising campaigns.

His prices, however, came to be considered on the high side in relation to his product in an expanding market, and together with quicker delivery by his competitors, Lord was pressed to develop more elaborate carpets sooner. Spiralling labour and production costs, the huge advertising budget, and the grandeur of some of his shops all contributed to his financial burdens.

The first open acknowledgement that there was a crisis came in September, 1967, when Lord and Mr Willie McMillan, his friend and close associate in the company for some 20 years, cut their salaries by 50 per cent and waived dividends. The showrooms were put up for sale and at this point Lord realised that he was physically incapable of carrying on. The chairmanship of his company passed to Mr McMillan.

In 1936 Lord married Bessie Greenwood; there were two sons and two daughters of that marriage. The marriage was dissolved in 1959. In 1974 he married Aileen Parnell, widow of Val Parnell.

MR TATSUO HAYASHI

Mr Tatsuo Hayashi, who died recently at the age of 87, was one of Japan's most eminent thinkers and the editor of the first Japanese Encyclopaedia. He belonged to a generation of intellectuals who started their activities in the 1920s, absorbing the culture and civilisation of Europe and making them into their own flesh and blood.

Unlike those who first started the modernisation of Japan by applying what they considered useful in Western knowledge to their own country's needs, Hayashi and his colleagues were eager to acquire European culture in its totality. This group of scholars played a significant role in Japanese thought by establishing an independent and liberal attitude towards the arts, philosophy and social theory. Hayashi was one of the chief architects of this achievement.

Although he was not a prolific writer, he was immensely versatile: whatever the topic under discussion, he always combined a keen sense of balance with an independent inquiring spirit stemming from his deep scholarship and regard for detail. His writings, later collected in six volumes (1971-72), bear witness to his enormously wide interests, ranging from gardening and Shakespearian herbs to the history of ideas, Renaissance and political thought.

From early in his career he distinguished himself by his editorial skills. He became responsible for some of the most influential journals such as *Shiso*. These journals provided a platform for liberal thinkers who had been discovered and encouraged by Hayashi, and were a beacon for Japanese intellectuals during the darkest period of Japanese history.

SIR BERNARD SHAW

Sir Bernard Shaw, who died at his home in London on May 26, aged 93, was a judge in the Colonial Service during troubled times in Palestine and Cyprus.

A cousin of the famous author, whom he greatly resembled in appearance, Shaw was educated at St Paul's School and served in the Indian police from 1910 to 1923, when he was called to the Bar by Gray's Inn. In the same year he joined the Colonial Service in Kenya, where he was appointed Resident Magistrate in 1928. It was there that he met and married Katherine Ceceley Colls, a skilled archaelogist and anthropologist.

The year 1936 saw his promotion to Palestine as a President of the District Court and in 1945 he became a Puisne Judge, retiring in 1948 when Britain gave up the Mandate.

After some years in England where he was appointed chairman of the North Midland District Valuation Board and chairman of Medical Appeal Tribunals he again went overseas, this time during the Emergency in Cyprus, as Senior Puisne Judge from 1955 to 1957. He escaped death narrowly when, on his return from court one day, he was ambushed and shot as his car stopped at a crossroads; the bullet passed through his neck.

A very competent lawyer and a man of deep and wide humanity he made an admirable judge. Invariably calm and cool, careful and courteous, particularly to those who were nervous or inexperienced in court, he did much, throughout his long and arduous career, to enhance the reputation of British justice in territories overseas. He was knighted in 1957.

A prolonged and painful attack of shingles and other illnesses troubled him in recent years but his courage and fortitude never failed. He was sustained by the care of his wife, who survives him.

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Missing places at the summit table

"Blessed is he who expecteth nothing," intoned Mrs Thatcher in a canticle to this week's economic summit. He that expecteth more must be not so much unblessed as hard of hearing; the most vigorous preparation for this year's summit has been the effort to depress expectations. The rationale of the annual summit meeting as an "informal chat", a getting-to-know-you session, is being hawked around the world's media again.

But intitutionalized informality is a dangerous contradiction. Like children's parties, statemen's junkets can more easily end in tears than laughter when the participants have too little to do, and their attendant press too little to report. The issue of the American deficit is ready-made for such an international squabble. There are easier, less high-profile ways of achieving the kind of personal contact the summiteers say they prize.

At the end of the 1970s, most of those summit governments who believed in demand management lost office, and the annual summit lost its script. The sensible conclusion would have been to close the theatre altogether, but governments yearly shrink from such a course. "Summit Cancelled as Economic Crisis Mounts" would be the kind of headline no statesman cares to read over the breakfast bran. So the variety show carries on from year to year, saved from fiasco only by the last-minute skill of the official "sherpas", who annually manage to scrape together a few initiatives for the grand finale, the reading of the communique.

It would be more useful to alter the terms of reference and membership of the summit club. The economic canvas is impossibly broad. As at general elections, the participants seek to define the issues in advance, and invariably find themselves overtaken by events. This year's summit was designed as a third birthday party for the world economic recovery, but the economic climate is as unpredictable as June weather in London. Crowding in upon the summiteers now are the inter-related issues of intest rates, exchange rates, debt and banking policies: quite the worst sort of questions for heads of government, even with finance ministers and technicians at their elbows, to attempt in "informal" conversation.

It is largely their own fault that they are now expected to tackle them at the summit. The International Monetary Fund is the proper forum for such discussions, but it has been derided by the American Administration, and by some of Mrs Thatcher's advisers too. It is worth remembering, as the financial crisis deepens, that several member governments attempted to call off the regular spring meeting of the IMF.

If financial issues are best dealt with through – not by – the IMF, what territory should be occupied by the summiteers? The answer is trade policy. Admittedly, there is a long-standing international body here, too, of which the summit governments are powerful members – the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. But trade negotiations have been slipping out of the Gatt framework, to be settled increasingly in bilateral negotiations: between Europe and Japan, Japan and America, America and its Latin-American neighbours. If the annual series of summitry were to take free trade not only as its watchword but as its central purpose, there would be some hope of achieving momentum, continuity and positive results.

The London summit may well reach agreement on the need for a new Gatt round, now Britain – and perhaps the other Europeans too – have withdrawn their objections. But this is the stuff of politics: the American President wants a "Reagan round" to go down in history. The Gatt processes are intolerably slow. A series of summits that concentrated on trade issues between members, and the kind of countries they represent, would be a much more effective flood wall against the creeping protectionist tide.

One further reform would be needed to make this effective. Membership of the summit club is out of date. Its original members were the five biggest economies of the free world, a gang known as "G5" – the United States, Japan, West Germany, France and (bottom of the pack now) the United Kingdom. Italy and Canada, the next two, forced an entry; the President of the European Commisson is permitted a footstool. But by the end of 1981, the Brazilian national income was, at current exchange rates, larger than the Canadian.

This simple statistical comparison is pretty misleading; hyperinflation, followed by rapid devaluation, quickly pushed Brazil down the international league table again in 1982 and 1983. But the point is a useful one: the free world economy is no longer the preserve of a handful of old industrial economies and one exceptional newcomer, Japan. Once their present financial difficulties are resolved, the massively-endowed major economies of Latin America will be treading on our heels.

Of course the summit group was conceived as a club not just of the big, but of the rich: countries whose average income per head is four or five times the Brazilians. This criterion would only make sense if the summit club were seen as some kind of charitable organization – a channel of funds from rich "North" to poor "South". On such a basis, it would be sensible to enlarge the club in other directions: to include, most obviously, Saudi Arabia.

That is an intriguing thought, but an irrelevant one. Today's summit members do not, to put it mildly, see themselves as the board of a voluntary charity. The trouble is that the club's narrow membership of rich industrial nations gives rise to expectations among the developing countries that this is precisely how the summit club should behave, and pointless anger when it does not.

If the purpose of the club were clear, and if that purpose were free trade, both membership rules and expectations would be more practical. Membership should be based simply on size of market, which means on the level of national income; and now would be a good moment to enlarge it to include Brazil and perhaps Mexico as well.

Many of the rising protectionist pressures in the United States are directed against these two economies; many of the measures they themselves need to take involve the dismantling of import barriers. The network of trade relations between major economies is now incomplete without these large but different members of the world economy. And their memgership would be a salutary reminder of both the growing importance of these two markets and the underlying wealth of these two economies. A salutary reminder, that is, to both lenders – and borrowers.

What is more, trade negotiations are far more suitable to the business of summitry than financial questions of exchange and interest rates.

All of this may seem a bit futuristic in a week when an old-style summit is about to begin, its membership unalterable. But by next Monday, the sherpas will have worked their usual party magic, and tossed out a rabbity economic initiative or two. That will give us press beagles something to worry at – and then, no doubt, we will all please the sherpas even more by putting the summit right out of our minds. Until it is again too late.

Sarah Hogg
Economics Editor

Market rally paves way for 214p Reuters striking price

By Christopher Dunn

Dealings start today in Reuters on both sides of the Atlantic, and market sources last night suggested that the striking price could be around 214p, following Friday's rally in the stock market. The last-minute flood of applications for the shares in London saw the issue comfortably over-subscribed.

A lengthy meeting took place yesterday at S. G. Warburg between the merchant bank, the Reuters' board, and the selling shareholders, to fix the striking price.

Early last week, as world stock markets collapsed, a striking price not far removed from the 180p subscription price was mooted in the City. But Friday's 27-point rise in the stock market, as measured by the FT-30 index, may have helped boost the striking price of the offer for sale by tender by some 15-20p.

Prospects are good for buoyant markets in the early part of this week, after the authorities made it clear they prefer rates not to rise.

Pricing has also been helped by the last-minute rush on Friday to apply for the shares. Some 57 million shares were on offer in London and the issue was comfortably oversubscribed.

In New York, where Reuters is selling a further 49 million shares, investors have been more cautious. But Friday's improvement in Wall Street, where the Dow Jones recovered nearly 20 points, may have also helped to swing round investor sentiemtn.

Should the initial dealing price of the shares take place in the 214p area, it will be the second stroke of good fortune, following the London over-subscription, in what has proved a nightmare trek towards a stock market listing.

Double about whether the trust deed allowed a public shares issue were followed by bitter disagreement over the group's capital structure, which in turn led a number of institutional shareholders to boycott the issue.

In addition, the decision to opt for a simultaneous flotation in New York and London not only prolonged the underwriting period. It also led to the potentially risky tender route to flotation.

These technical problems have surfaced amid general agreement that the group represents a first-class long-term investment. On the back of its rapid growth in video-terminal business, current year profits should jump from £55m to £70m while, by 1985, most brokers estimate pretax profits should be in the £90 region.

That figure, if attained, drops the group's prospective price earnings multiple from over 17 at the original offer price of 180p to around 13. This multiple looks attractive compared with Reuters' only real quoted counterpart, Telerate, whose target multiple is close to 14.

Reuters' current annual turnover is in the £250m area. The historic growth rate in sales has been around 30 per cent compound, and 89 per cent of revenue now comes from financial information video terminals.

Since the terminal business took off, pretax profits have been growing at around 117 per cent compound.

Goodison to meet firms

Sir Nicholas Goodison, Stock Exchange chairman is likely to come under fire again today when he holds the second of three meetings with small and medium-sized member firms.

The meetings are an attemp to defuse a growing campaign to retain some single capacity when fixed-scale commissions end next year.

The Stock Exchange Councill and the Bank of England has until now accepted that dual capacity – likely to threaten the survival of small ad medium firms – was inevitable with the introduction of negotiated commissions.

Tommorrow's annual meeting of the FXchange is likely to question how dual capacity can adequately protect the investor.

STOCK EXCHANGES

Change on week

FT-SE 100 Index: 1055.8 up 0.3
FT Index: 824.5 down 3.4
FT Gilts: 78.60 up 0.45
FT All Share: 490.0 down 5.29
Bargains: 22,843
Datastream USM Leaders Index: 102.84 down 4 6
New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: 1124.35 up 17.25

BOARD MEETING

TODAY – **Interims:** None announced
Finals: Airflow Streamlines, Anglo American Corp of SA (results expected tomorrow), Combined Technology Corp, Dominion International, Ecobric Holdings, Mnomos, Portsmouth and Sunderland Newspapers, Tozer, Kemsley and Millbourn.

TOMORROW – **Interims:** Thomas French and Sons, Hanson Trust, McCorquodale, Stainless Metalcraft and Trident TV.
Finals: Atkins Bros (Hosiery), Barlows, Capital Gearing Trust, Carless, Capel and Leonard, Cass Group, De La Rue, Hazlewoods Foods, Hill Samuel, Reed International.

WEDNESDAY – **Interims:** Carr's milling Industries, Clydesdale (Transvaal) Collieries (third quarter), Fleming American Investment Trust, Johnson and Firth Brown, Keystone Investment Co.
Finals: African and European Investment Co, Brownlee, Cobra Emerald Mines, New Throgmorton Trust (1983), Pegler-Hattersley, Plysu, Sketchley, TR North America Investment Trust.

THURSDAY – **Interims:** (first quarter), Bauffelsfontein Gold Mining, Nottingham Brick, Trans-Natal Coal Corp and John Williams of Cardiff.
Finals: Churchbury Estates, Electronic Rentals, Grootvlei Proprietary Mines, GT Global Recovery Investment Trust, Law Land, Marievale Consolidated Mines, Property and Reversionary Investments, St Helena Gold Mines, 600 Group, Stilfontein Gold Mining and West Rand Consolidated Mines.

FRIDAY – **Interims:** Elson and Robbins and Tomkinsons.
Finals: Somic and Sound Diffusion.

US banks to receive massive bailout

From Maxwell Newton
New York

The United States Treasury and the Federal Reserve are planning a big rescue operation to bail out the American banks.

The scheme will effectively relieve the main American banks of any threat to their solvency that might result from defaults by Latin American debtors.

It is understood that the Federal Reserve will take the doubtful Latin-American loans off the banks. They will be paid 90 cents on the dollar for the loans.

The US Treasury will then issue a special 50-year security which the banks will be allowed to count as part of their capital. This will build up their capital and they will pay off the securities over 50 years.

Banks would be restrained from paying dividends as part of the terms of the deal. There would probably be other conditions which would have the effect of putting them under government control to a greater extent than at present.

No figures are available on the amount of money involved in the rescue operation, but it would have to be tens of billions of dollars in order to make an impression on the Latin-American debt problem.

Taxpayers would effectively be subsidizing the loans, as the doubtful debts concerned would be transferred from the banks to the US Government. Losses on the loans would be absorbed by the government instead of by the banks.

Some Government sources believe the Latin-American countries will be delighted with the scheme. They say that, with many of their problem debts being transferred to the US Government, "Uncle Sam can wait" will become the slogan of the Latin Americans.

The plan which is expected to receive a hostile public reception, may be presented to the American people as a sort of Marshall plan for Latin America.

The US Government knows that there is continuing social unrest throughout Latin America, where the living standards have suffered seriously in the past three years. So the US could sell the bailout as a necessary plan to alleviate the suffering and threat of political upheavals in Latin America.

Fear of significant defaults in Latin America have been aroused by the de facto defaults of Bolivia and the Dominican Republic in the last two weeks, as well as by the prospective default by Argentina.

The American banks have failed to regain the confidence of the investing public or of leading depositors since the crisis over the Continental Illinois Bank. Many analysts have commented that the banks stocks have failed to revive after the injection by the Federal Reserve and government of 7.5 billion into Continental Illinois. That bank has failed to attract anyone interested in merging with it

Buoyant Pergamon set for SE return

By Our City Staff

Sparkling 1983 results from Pergamon Press, the world's leading scientific and technical publisher, may pave the way for a stock market quotation for Mr Robert Maxwell's group.

Group turnover last year rose by a fifth from £286m to £345m. Pretax profits improved by nearly 50 per cent, rising from £22.4m to £33.5m. Earnings per share were up by over a quarter from 134.2p to 169.4p.

Earnings of £29.3m were trimmed at the retentions level by extraordinary items of £12.3m, which included £10.5m accruing from the cost of closure of the British Printing and Communication Corporation, Park Royal *Radio Times* printing works, after a prolonged strike there. Year-end reserves, however, rose from £38m to £62m, after an asset revaluation produced a surplus of £14.1m.

Commenting on 1983 results, Mr Maxwell said: "Operating profits before exceptional items rose by 60.2 per cent to £31.2m. The company through its capital investment programme of £100m in the last three years has created the foundation for further rapid growth in sales and profitability.

"The board is confident that in 1984 it will very substantially exceed the pretax profits achieved in 1983".

Mr Maxwell forecast that BPCC's 1984 dividend would be not less than 9p. For 1983, BPCC paid a 6p dividend. He added that successful completion of the £53m bid for Bishopsgate Trust would help to strengthen the BPCC balance sheet, after sales of the Bishopsgate investment portfolio.


Maxwell: rapid growth ahead.

Profits at Pergamon Press itself rose by just £700,000 to £11m, after heavy research and development costs

The market value of the whole group might not be far off that of Reuters, given favourable conditions. Assuming earnings this year repeat the kind of growth rate seen in 1983, and using the price earnings multiples which fast-growing electronic information groups enjoy, then Pergamon might be worth around £700m.

US deficit dominates EEC talks

EEC finance ministers, including Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, will endeavour to reach an agreed position today on their attitude to the American federal deficit, before the London economic summit.

Today's meeting in Luxembourg was originally planned for a "routine" discussion of EEC budget details, but has inevitably become an occasion for finance ministers of the four European governments taking part in the summit to coordinate their approach.

In an interview with the *Director* magazine, Mr Lawson identified the American deficit, the problems of international debt, and a possible "explosion in the Gulf" as the main external threats to the British economy. However, he took pains to pay tribute to America's "resilient" and "flexible" economy.

The West German Government, in particular, is known to be very concerned about the high level of interest rates resulting from the American deficit, which it believes is seriously impeding West Germany's incipient economic recovery and structural reinvestment programme.

So the European finance ministers are likely to agree on the need to press the American delegation to the summit for further reductions.

Oil traders predict fall in prices

By Our Energy Correspondent

World oil traders, who have been watching the Iran-Iraq conflict closely, are now predicting that prices could drop before next month's meeting of the full ministerial council of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Dealers in New York, Rotterdam and Singapore, where most oil from the Gulf is traded expected an easing in tension between Iran and Iraq soon and a "small rather than substantial" cut in oil prices.

Their reassessment follows news over the weekend that the Iranian government will discuss the situation and that Japanese officials are in Iran seeking assurances of safe passage for oil cargoes destined for Japan. Japan is the main customer for Gulf oil.

Despite the Gulf problems, Arab light crude has been trading on the spot markets at about 50 cents below the official Opec price of $29. A halt to hostilities would mean a rapid softening of prices.

Mr John Lichtblau, president of the US Petroleum Research Foundation, said: "Clearly the tendency would be to weaken the market somewhat. But there wouldn't be a flood of oil. There is not that much oil being held back".

The Merrill Lych oil analyst, Mr Constantine Fliakos, said: "An end to hostilities would result in a significant drop in prices.

Fraser dispute cools

By Philip Robinson

House of Fraser was confident last night of postponing any major confrontation with Lonrho, its largest shareholder, over director elections. Reports at the weekend had suggested that Professor Roland Smith, the Fraser chairman, was in danger of being voted off the board.

The confrontation would have come at Fraser's annual meeting, now postponed from June 28, when Professor Smith comes up for re-election to the board.

Lonrho had sought to increase the number of directors to 25 and field a dozen candidates. But on Friday Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of state for Trade and Industry, ordered the Monopolies Commission to consider whether such a move constituted an attempt to gain control of the stores group, which owns Harrods.

Output rises but orders 'still below normal'

Recovery continues, says CBI

By David Young

The slow but steady recovery in the British economy noted in the recent months by the Confederation of British Industry is expectedto continue over the next four months.

However, the CBI in its May monthly survey says that any rise in British interest rates in response to upward movements in the US will mean that "fears of a slowdown will become much stronger."

The survey of 1,781 manufacturing companies shows that output is expected to continue rising over the next four months while order books, both at home and overseas, generally will remain below normal.

Of the companies taking part 21 per cent said total orders were higher than normal and 18 per cent said export orders were higher than normal. A further 30 per cent both home and export orders were below normal. However, 32 per cent expect output to rise, while only 9 per cent expect a decrease.

The survey also found that fewer companies are planning price increases in the coming four months. A total of 67 per cent reported that no price increases are proposed, 28 per cent planned increases and 4 per cent are planning price cuts. This is the best prices projection from the CBI monthly survey since last September.

Mr David Wigglesworth, chairman of the CBI economic situation committee, said: "These results confirm that the recovery in manufacturing is continuing. But with nearly a third of firms still assessing both their total and export order books as "below normal" the results show we have still a long way to go.

"They also indicate that not as many firms export to raise prices, which is a further sign that the recovery is not leading to over-heating.

"It is another reminder of the competitive stake of many markets

- House prices are expected to rise by about 13 per cent this year, according to a Lloyds Bank report out today.
- There is no hard evidence and very little theoretical justification or a fixed or stable relationship between British and American rates, says the broking firm Laing Cruickshank. US rates are not "coupled" to US rates, the firm suggest.
- The broking firm Simon and Coates do not rule out another early base rate increase, writing in their latest economic analysis, but strongly believe that economic fundamentals have not deteriorated enough to justify the recent rates reversal.

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Capitalization and week's change

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Begin, Today. Dealings End, June 15. § Contango Day, June 18. Settlement Day, June 25.
§ Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days.
(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)

FT STOCK INDICES

INDUSTRIAL GROUP	483.95 (470.34)
500 SHARE	537.39 (521.64)
YIELD	10.98 (11.31)
DIVIDEND YIELD	4.59% (4.73%)
PE RATIO NET	11.27 (10.94)
ALL SHARE	490.00 (477.21)
DIVIDEND YIELD	4.62% (4.95%)

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS [illegible]

MEDIUMS [illegible]

LONGS [illegible]

COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN

[illegible]

LOCAL AUTHORITIES

[illegible]

DOLLAR STOCKS

[illegible]

BANKS AND DISCOUNTS

[illegible]

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES

[illegible]

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

A — B [illegible]

C — E [illegible]

F — H [illegible]

I — N [illegible]

O — S [illegible]

T — Z [illegible]

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

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SHIPPING

[illegible]

MINES

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OIL

[illegible]

PROPERTY

[illegible]

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

[illegible]

INSURANCE

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Lib Life SA R1	£31½	+½	118	3.8	..
[illegible]	London & Man	498	+6	23.5	4.7	..
[illegible]	Ldn Utd Inv	203	−3	17.1	8.4	8.1
[illegible]	Marsh & McLen	£28¾	+¾	125	4.4	11.4
[illegible]	Minet Hldgs	152	..	7.4	4.9	..
[illegible]	Pearl	738	−6	47.1	6.4	..
[illegible]	Phoenix	421	−10	28.3	6.7	..
[illegible]	Prudential	451	−2	27.1	6.0	..
[illegible]	Refuge	428	−13	10.5	2.5	..
[illegible]	Royal	551	+6	40.7	7.4	..
[illegible]	Sedgwick Grp	233	−9	11.4	4.9	12.6
[illegible]	Stewart W'son	356	−7	21.4	6.0	12.5
[illegible]	Sun Alliance	350	+4	20.0	5.7	..
[illegible]	Sun Life	558	−7	23.5	4.2	..
[illegible]	Trade Indem'ty	200	..	10.7	5.4	..
[illegible]	Willis Faber	817	−15	30.0	3.7	17.3

PLANTATIONS

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MISCELLANEOUS

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UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Ch'ge on week	Gross div pence	Div yld %	P/E
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	Utd Packaging	70	..	4.3b	6.0	4.5
14.8m	V.W.Thermax	121	−9	7.5b	6.2	23.7
10.7m	Valin Pollin Int	255	−8	2.3b	0.9	62.0
7,369,000	Webber Electro	160	−10	2.5	1.6	23.2
2,607,000	Weipac	14½	−½	0.3	2.0	10.4
12.1m	Wight Collins R S	360	−20	3.5	1.0	28.8
741,000	Willaire Syst	5	−1	..	..	..
14.4m	Wingate Prop	110	−1	2.1	1.9	28.6
8,922,000	Woodchester Inv	158	−5	5.6b	3.6	17.0
10.6m	XYLLYX	53	..	..	..	..
3,251,000	Yelverton Inv	41	+4	..	..	12.1
4,880,000	Yorkgreen Inv	26	−2	2.0b	7.7	11.2
580,000	York Mount	58	−1	7.1	12.3	6.5
3,700,000	Zygal Dynamics	100	−5	1.1b	1.1	15.6

• Ex dividend. a Ex all. b Forecast dividend. c Corrected price. e Interim payment passed. f Price at suspension. g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment. h Bid for company. k Pre-merger figures. n Forecast earnings. p Ex capital distribution. r Ex rights. s Ex scrip or share split. t Tax free. y Price adjusted for late dealings. .. No significant data.

FIXED INTEREST STOCKS

[illegible]

DEBENTURE STOCKS [illegible]

CONVERTIBLE LOANS [illegible]

UNSECURED LOANS [illegible]

Source: Gilbert Eliott & Co

EUROBONDS

STRAIGHT DEBT [illegible]

FLOATING RATE NOTES [illegible]

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:
Bank base rates 9, 9¼
Finance houses base rate 9½
Discount market loans week fixed 7
3 month interbank 9$^{15}/_{16}$-9$^{13}/_{16}$

Euro-currency rates:
3 month dollar 11$^{11}/_{16}$-11$^{9}/_{16}$
3 month DM 6$^{1}/_{16}$-5$^{15}/_{16}$
3 month Fr F13⅝-13⅜

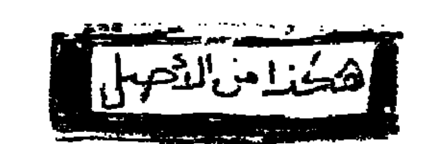
US rates
Bank prime rate 12.50
Fed funds 10$^{7}/_{16}$
Treasury long bond 97$^{7}/_{16}$-97$^{9}/_{16}$

ECGD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period April 4 1984 to May 1, 1984, inclusive: 8.934 per cent.

GOLD

London fixed (per ounce):
am $389.40 pm $393.75
close $393.25-394.00 (£281.00-281.50)
Krugerrand* (per coin):
$405.00-406.50 (£289.00-290.00)
*Excludes VAT





US NOTEBOOK

SEC's quiet scandals bring 'life sentences'

The New York Stock Exchange was rocked by more scandal last week when the Securities and Exchange Commission calmly announced it was permanently barring 15 executives of major stockbroking firms from employment or any form of business association with member firms, writes Wayne Lintott.

The 15 were accused of violating market rules, including seven who were found guilty of misappropriating customer funds.

In total, the SEC had 35 people up before its disciplinary panel. In New York such executives neither plead guilty nor innocent but "freely" choose to "consent" to a hearing panel's disciplinary measures.

The big board member firms for whom the individuals worked included E. F. Hutton, Merrill Lynch, Dean Witter, Smith Barney, Prudential-Bache, Salomon Brothers, Shearson/American Express and Drexel Burnham. All stockbrokers of international renown.

The sentences ranged from a lifetime bar to a three-year ban from any stock market employment and some hefty fines. The alleged violations included a fairly straightforward fraud: telling clients they had made less than they actually had, and then taking the surplus. Other violations were using clients' money for personal trading; maintaining accounts at other member firms to by-pass trading restrictions of either the exchange or the employer; understating trading losses by switching debits to accounts not due for audit, and cheating their own firms by setting up bogus accounts, crediting profits, claiming the commission and liquidating the account as payment came due.

One executive deposited $500,000 (£357,000) of worthless cheques in a new account. His firm immediately issued the bogus client with a new cheque book and trading facilities. The account executive then used the cheques from the fictional account to pay off his own debts and trading losses, before his firm discovered that the original cheques had bounced.

Others, less quick footed, merely lost money on market speculation and could not meet the losses. Some sold information about their clients to estate agents and insurance salesmen.

One executive created a corporate finance department of his own within the corporate finance department of his firm.

He then blithely conducted business on his own account using, of course, the facilities and contracts of his employers.

A wide variety of reasons were given for the violations. One man "attributes his conduct to his mental state stemming from financial pressures brought about by large medical bills."

One whizz kid of the equities market decided to turn his expertise loose on the bullion markets, and proceded to lose all his clients' small fortunes. The only problem being that he neglected to tell his employers or his clients.

Bonds stop the long slide

US bonds rallied at the end of last week to break, or at least halt, their almost continuous slide that started in mid-January.

The realization that the Federal Reserve was not about to tighten policy while the international financial situation remained fragile helped to spark the gains. Hints that the long hoped-for moderation in eoconomic activity might finally be taking place boosted confidence that the Fed would hold policy steady.

Prices of long-term issues ended the week about a point higher while intermediates tacked on ½ to ¾. But as market participants returned from the Memorial Day weekend, there was little indication that the relentless decline was going to be stopped, as prices of long issues plunged almost a point on Tuesday and another half-point on Wednesday.

By that time, bearishness was rampant. Market polling of Treasury bond futures traders found only 20 per cent who would admit to being bulls, down from 26 per cent a week earlier.

The latest reading was low enough for some analysts to declare that a "significant bottom" had been reached, although they were not sure that it was the beginning of a major advance.

By Wednesday, longer treasuries were closing in on a 14 per cent yield.

These yields might have been enough to induce some investor buying as prices moved up 1¼ points on Thursday, undeterred by a $3.3 billion rise in the basic money supply, M1, which was almost twice the expected increase and near the top of the Fed's target range.

Andrew Cornelius reports on a major engineering group's dramatic turnround

John Brown's body back from brink thanks to new chairman's surgery

Sir John Cuckney, brought in by bankers and institutions to rescue the John Brown engineering group from collapse, will mark his first anniversary in the job next month by signalling to investors that a recovery is underway.

Pretax losses for the year to March 31 are expected to be below the £6m forecast when Sir John presented his rescue plan to the banks this year. Borrowings are also expected to be well below the £105m reported at the interim stage as the group reaps the benefit from £15m divestments of non-core businesses.

Negotiations on the disposal of Oloffson Corporation in Michigan, the machine tools company bought for $44m in December 1981, have also reached an advanced stage. If the deal goes through, John Brown will get its money back and ease borrowings by a further £20m.

Protracted negotiations with a potential overseas buyer for the John Brown Engineering gas turbine division have also been under way for months as John Brown looks for a deal which will satisfy its shareholders and General Electric in the United States, which is a manufacturing associate of John Brown and has to approve any sale involving its turbine technology.

But with the banks supporting the company's recovery plan there is no longer any pressure for a quick deal on unsatisfactory terms. The feeling in John Brown appears to be that its bargaining hand will strengthen as the trading position at John Brown Engineering continues to improve.

A likely solution to rid John Brown of more than £30m of debt which JBE carries would be to form a joint venture company with a willing partner which woud take the debt from the parent company's balance sheet and give JBE a new lease of life with a partner working in the gas turbine field.

There now appears to be little chance of resumed negotiations with Hawker Siddeley, which first expressed an interest in buying JBE. Relations between the two companies soured during negotiations to the point where a fresh deal is no longer on the cards. GEC and NEI, two other potential bidders, have yet to take any interest in JBE.



Sir John Cuckney: arrived to find "a shambles"

Meantime JBE is trading profitably. The gas turbine company has won orders worth £28m this year. While costs have been shaved by making 500 of the 1,750 workforce on Clydebank redundant last summer. At the same time more work is passing through the JBE workshops from the rest of the group and, for the first time, from outside.

Despite the progress, the disposal of the gas turbine division is vital to the recovery porgramme instigated by Sir John when he replaced Sir John Mayhew-Sanders, the former chairman, last July.

The plan identified three core businesses where resources will be concentrated: engineering and construction, plastics machinery, and offshore oil and gas exploration.

Sir John's plan meant the end of the group's involvement in the machine tool business, which will be closed by the end of this year with the loss of 750 jobs. He also decided that the turbine division would benefit from closer involvement with a commitment to turbines to John Brown's manufacturing and project management skills.

> 'Greater respect for people who tell the truth, even if it is bad, than for ditherers'

Sir John then mounted a broadside attack on overhead costs. The most visible evidence of this as the decision to move from The Sanctuary, the group's head office near the Houses of Parliament for the 70 years. Today, the group operates from more modest premises at Paddington with 25 instead of 70 head office staff at a saving of up to £750,000 a year.

The tough action has been repeated throughout the group to slash operating costs. The sale of Oloffson will also help reduce John Brown's mountain of dollar debt in the United States, where the mad dash to expand caused many of its problems.

Yet perhaps the most remakable achievement has been the dramatic improvement in relations with the City.

Sir John Mayhew-Sanders, the former chairman, was accountant and engineer who ruled with a rod of iron, according to former colleagues. He as the company's only executive director and was widely criticised for his poor relations with investment analysts, banks and institutions.

This helped to lead to his downfall when the National Westminster joined with other institutional investors to demand a new chairman. Sir John Cuckney was chosen in the hope that he could apply the magic which helped untangle the Crown Agents affair and reconstruct the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.

When Sir John arrived, he confided that John Brown was "an industrial shambles". The mad dash to expand in the US had left the group with rising dollar debts as the exchange rates moved the wrong way and diversifications into unrelated businesses had diluted management effort.

He was also faced with a claim for £360,000 compensation for loss of office from Sir John Mayhew-Sanders: this was settled out of court for £180,000. Next came the talks with Hawker Siddeley over a £32m deal to buy the gas turbine business.

The banks were also upset that their pleas for the appointment of a financial director had been ignored and this became a priority for the new regime. Mr Richard Wakeling, the 36-year-old group treasurer at BOC Group, was duly appointed.

Then followed an intensive study of the business which led to the acceptance of the corporate plan by the banks early this year and a gentle increase in the value of John Brown shares from their low point of 14p to 24p today.

In the present year, every part of the business is trading at a profit before interest charges and the prospects of return to profits at the pretax level before the 1985/1986 forecast are promising.

The new-found relations between the banks and the company are also a textbook example of how industry and the City can work together if banks trust the management of a company.

Sir John said: "There is much greater respect for people who tell the truth, even if it is bad, than there ever is for people who dither, or are optimistic too early".

The success, or otherwise, of his efforts will be easier to judge if the forecast of profits by 1985/1986 is achieved. But if the company does survive, even in a truncated form, the City may be left to wonder whether better relationships could have saved other engineering companies which collapse in the early days of the recession.

St Michael sets out to conquer the US

By John Lawless

The British chain store Marks and Spencer has concluded an agreement which could see a wide range range of its products being introduced to stores throuhgout the United States.

Mr Roy Bannister, senior manager in the M and S export group, said that the first year of operation of the agreement with Associated Dry Goods – which had total sales last year of $3.7 billion – is being regarded as a trial period, but that orders have already been placed.

"Associated Dry Goods owns Lord and Taylor, one of the leading department stores in New York, and has 12 associate companies in its departmental and speciality stores division," he said.

Buyers from various American stores are being offered the chance to stock the products now sold under the St Michael label in more than 260 British stores - 90 per cent of which are supplied by 700 British companies.

Mr Bannister said: "They are buying knitwear and are looking hard at our new range of toiletries and cosmetics, and traditional underwear."

"Starting at the end of this year, we are going to go nationwide.

The competitiveness of sterling against the dollar has been an important factor in the new M and S initiative. Exporting represents only a tiny fraction of total M and S sales.

It was worth £33m in 32 countries, rising to £84m including sales through its own stores in Europe and Canada.

M and S has been holding one of its twice-yearly selling fairs in London in the past few weeks when 128 buyers from abroad have paid their own expenses to visit its special displays at the M and S head office in London. The fair ends this week and orders so far indicate that purchasers are 18 per cent up on last year.

It is undoubtedly one of Britain's more extraordinary exporters. The packets of peanuts sold to Norway last year would, if piled up, be two and a half times as high as Mount Everest.

And while European textiles and clothing firms have been complaining about Third World competition, Marks and Spencer has one of its strongest markets in the Far East. "We sold 1,500 dozen Essex-made shirts in Hongkong last year, all with the sleeves slightly shorter," said Mr Bannister.

The company's Far East selling operation is based in Hongkong, where it sells through more than half a dozen stores owned by the Dodwell Group, but it is ahead of other exporters by selling strongly to a Japanese chain store, Daiei.

"We have exported many millions of pounds worth of British goods to Japan over the past few years," said Mr Bannister, who went to Tokyo to set up the operation.

"When I left there three years ago, M and S goods represented 12 per cent of total British textile exports to Japan".

ORDINARY SHARES

ICI well placed to weather another recession

Ann Taylor

The 18 companies in the *FT* chemicals sector are dominated by ICI, striding like a colossus, not just over Britain's chemical industry but across the world. Its market capitalization of £3,326.9m is greater than that of any other British chemical company and easily tops the large, glamour-stock drug companies like Beecham and Glaxo.

It has the fortune, or misfortune, of being seen as the bell-wether of manufacturing industry, and its fortunes influence the whole equity market.

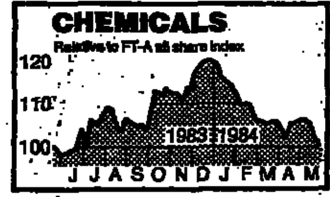
However, the British chemicals sector is actually a basket of very different fruits ranging from small speciality producers to multinational commodity manufacturers, selling to a variety of customers. Mainstream chemical companies tend to sell largely to other chemical companies, while others sell to industrial or even consumer markets.

ICI is riding on the crest of the wave at the moment, having reported doubled profits for 1983 and a record dividend payment, representing the first harvest of its sustained drive to reshape and transform its business portfolio and cost structure under a charismatic and revolutionary chairman and chief executive, Mr John Harvey-Jones. He took over just after the company had slashed its dividend in 1980, for the first time since the 1930s, throwing the stock market into a rare turmoil and blackening the group's image in the City's eyes.

In the last year or so the share price has more than doubled, at a time when the market has risen by only 30 per cent, and for a while the group became the darling of the American stock market. What caught the imagination of both the private investor and the large institutions was the dynamism of the unestablishment chairman and the new mix of high technology, speciality chemicals and pharmaceuticals, allied to a ruthless attitude to managing the traditional, heavy petrochemistry component.

SHARE COMPARISONS

Ordinary Shares	Price (p)	%Change in price over 1 mth	3 mths	12 mths	%Gain or loss on mkt ov'r 1 mth	3 mths	12 mths
Allied Colloids	300	−2.0	−5.1	+16.1	+4.2	−6.1	+1.4
BOC Group	242	−16.6	−13.9	+12.6	−11.3	−14.8	−1.8
Brent Chemicals	106	+3.9	+17.8	−12.4	+10.4	+16.5	−23.5
Coalite Group	168	−5.6	−11−1	+21.7	+0.3	−12.1	−6.3
Croda Int.	112	−13.2	+0.0	+10.9	−7.7	−1.1	−3.2
Ellis & Everard	180	−6.3	−9.1	+3.5	−0.4	−10.1	−9.7
Hickson Int'l	350	−5.7	−7.4	−2.8	+0.3	−8.4	−15.1
Imp Chem Inds	544	−10.2	−9.3	+15.7	−4.6	−10.3	%1.0
Laporte Inds	445	−2.4	+22.6	+67.5	+3.7	+21.3	+46.2
Leigh Interests	91	−6.2	−8.1	+12.3	−0.3	−9.1	−1.9
Rentokil Group	132	−1.5	+4.8	+18.9	+4.7	+3.6	+3.8
Yorks Chemical	54	−11.5	−6.9	−15.6	−5.9	−7.9	−26.4



The Americans began to see ICI as more of a pharmaceutical company than a chemical company. Pharmaceuticals account for about 40 per cent of its profits.

ICI has an extremely wide range of products as well as the widest geographical diversity of any of the international chemical majors. It derives only about 30 per cent of sales from Britain, although 50 per cent of its assets ares still here. All the leading business sectors are now trading in the black – an impressive achievement when you consider that only two years ago petrochemicals and plasitcs lost £139m and fibres lost £25m. Jobs in the group have fallen by nearly one-quarter in five years from 151,000 to 117,000.

ICI is still currency sensitive, but with more than 60 per cent of profits coming from "effect" or speciality chemicals, even in the face of another recession the group should be well placed to weather the storm, unless the pound becomes very overvalued. Profits of £900m are within range this year, and £1bn next year.

Two weeks ago, it could be said that over the previous 12 months, ICI had shown a 7.4 per cent gain on the market, although in the previons three months it had fallen by 10.3 per cent. Now, following the latest bloodbath, ICI has shown a one per cent gain on the market over the last 12 months, and a fall of 10.3 per cent in the last three months. The share price has risen by 15.7 per cent over the year, but slumped by 9.3 per cent in the last three months.

The next largest in the sector is BOC Group, with a market capitalization of £938.3m. It fits uneasily into the chemical industry as one of the world's largest manufacturers of industrial gases, along with activities such as carbon graphite and carbide, welding and a fast-growing health care division. The last named could eventually catch up gases as the group's main profit contributor, though at present it provides £55.3m of operating profit compared with £121.6m for gases and cryogenic plant.

BOC is a multinational which has undergone significant restructuring in the last few years and, like ICI has a powerful leader in Mr Richard Giordano, the highest-paid executive in Britain, on a yearly salary of £521,500. BOC had outperformed the market by 11.8 per cent in the 12 months up to two weeks ago, while the price had risen by 36.8 per cent in that period.

Today, though, it can be said that it has underperformed by 1.8 per cent while the price is up by 12.6 per cent. Nevertheless, in common with ICI, the share price has recently fallen – down by 1.4 per cent over the last three months.

The market has consistently undervalued BOC. Pretax profits should reach £150m this year, compared with £95.8m last year. Both ICI and BOC's shares on their present rating represent a sound, medium-term investment. No serious imvestor should be without these core stocks

A long way behind these two giants in the chemicals league comes Laporte, capitalized at £300.6m. It is one of the most "purely chemical" companies and has perhaps some of the most exciting prospects. The group has undergone a startling transformation from being a commodity chemicals company a couple of years ago to a speciality chemicals orientation today. As a result, the shares have outperformed the market by 39.3 per cent in the last year, while the share price has risen by 70.4 per cent.

The latest phase of its metamorphosis has come about in the last month with Laporte's sak to SCM Corporation of the United States of the titanium dioxide business in Britain and Australia, which will bring in £80m to £90m. This makes it both potentially acquisitive and vulnerable to predator – both good news for shareholders.

However, the Belgian company, Solvay, has a 21.42 per cent participation in Laporte, and therefore, any would-be suitor would find it an expensive mouthful. Laporte is on target to deliver pretax profits of £40m for this year, compared with £30.2m last year, fuelled by an even greater contribution from the new areas such as electronic chemicals, water treatment, building chemicals and specialized organics.

The medium-sized chemical companies comprise Rentokil, Allied Colloids, Coalite, and Croda, with Market capitalizations of £120m to £250. They are all very different in character and scope of operations.

Rentokil's mainstream business is the non-cyclical pest control services and its recent strong growth reflects the revival in the property market. It has sizable overseas operations and interests in timber preservation, hygiene and insulation. Pretax profits should rise from £20.6m to £24m this year.

Coalite's main interests are fuel processing and distribution, though it has recently diversified into builders' merchanting and it has some agrochemical products. Like Rentokil it is a solid, if unexciting, growth stock.

Allied Colloids is a truly chemical company with a specialist range of chemicals, important overseas interests – giving an advantage from recent sterling exchange rates – and a real niche in the market which has enabled it to grow independently of the economy. Pretax profits should reach £16.5m this year, compared with £12.2m last.

Another company which is rapidly changing shape is Croda International, now deriving over 50 per cent of profits from speciality chemicals worldwide, which employ only about one-third of capital. The group sells products as diverse as private label soaps and honey, organic chemicals and intermediates, industrial paints, edible oils, tar and bitumen. Croda is divided into four main sub-groups and 40 different profit centres in Britain alone. Latterly, it has been cultivating its interests in consumer products. Croda has been notable for its high yield. Last year's profits of £27.34m should swell to £31.5m this year.

Lastly, there is a group of smaller companies, including Hickson International at the top end (market capitalization £67.7m), Brent Chemicals, Ellis and Everard, Leigh Interests and Yorkshire Chemical (market capitalization £7.3m). Hickson's timber operations contribute more than 50 per cent of profits, while Ellis and Everard is primarily a merchanting and distributing company. Brent's range takes in chemical specialities with applications in metal finishing, food and beverage cleansing systems, laundry chemicals and non-destructive testing. Leigh's speciality is industrial waste disposal.

The UK chemical industry is continually rationalizing and specializing. In the next few years, some of the more vulnerable companies will be taken over. Meantime, although equity prices are tumbling while you look, this year will show significant growth in profits and dividends. the question mark is what happens if economic growth slows next year.

Those who have fine-tuned their engines to high added-value performance chemicals will survive most successfully in the next downturn.

Although the chemicals sector has disappointingly underperformed the market in recent times, there is no reason why this should not be rectified over the next year. In a bear market, the chemicals sector has underlying technical strengths which should stand it in good stead.

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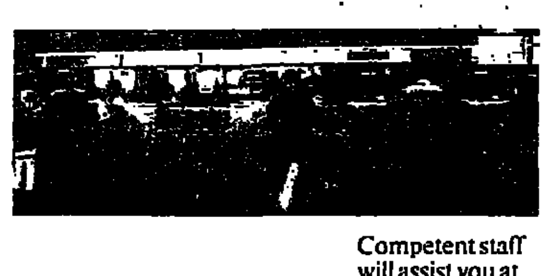
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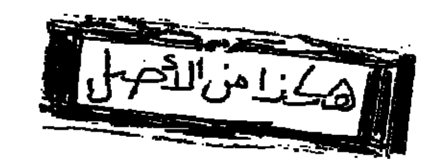
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THE GILT-EDGED MARKET

Why index-linked securities may not be the best investment

Michael Jankowski

Taxation plays a substantial role in the selection of investment vehicles. To the private investor this factor is probably the most important consideration when evaluating various investment possibilities and is perhaps well understood by laymen. Institutions are also affected – although to a lesser degree – by differences in the levy rates between income and capital gains taxes. This fact is well appreciated by brokers and institutions alike, since the optimization of the tax burden is highly remunerative to the broker and advantageous to the institution, but is less understood by the layman.

In the gilt-edged market, tax effects are pervasive. The tax structure generates a bias in favour of capital growth at the expense of income but investors have to pay for the privilege. What is interesting is that they are more than happy to accept a lower gross return by buying a lower coupon stock since, on an after-tax basis, the total net return is equivalent or higher than other higher coupon stocks of the same maturity. The recent fall in the market has seen another example of tax effects in operation, but on a very different nature.

Between April 1 and May 23, the long-dated area of the conventional market fell by about seven points while similar maturity index-linked issues actually rose by about half a point. The effect of these price movements on relative gross redemption yields can be seen. This yield "gap" between the two gilt-edged markets rose by more than half a percentage point.

Because the real value of conventional gilts can be eroded if inflation accelerates while index-linked are largely unaffected, the poor relative performance of conventional stocks could be ascribed to worsening inflation expectations, while this cannot be ruled out entirely, the magnitude of the market fall was far too large to be consistent with any probable worsening of inflation expectations.

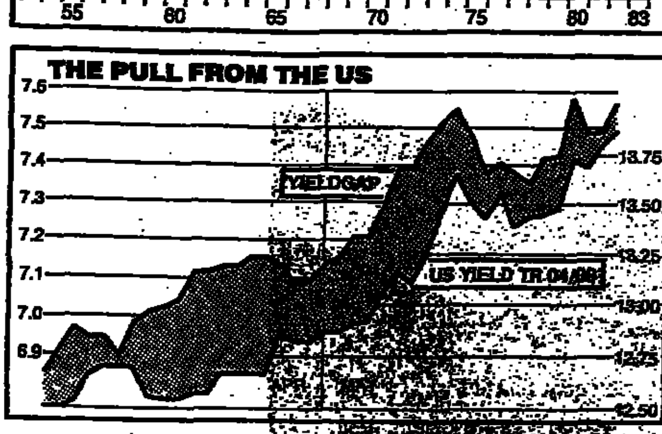
Institutions will look only two to three years in the future when evaluating investment options. The price deterioration seen since the Budget must be equivalent to a rise in expected inflation of 2 per cent to 3 per cent a year (over that period) for consistency to be maintained. Looking at most economic forecasts, such a change clearly has not taken place. In fact, it would be very hard to find average expectations to have changed by even half of one per cent for 1984. If anything, the average expected inflation rate for 1985 has declined.

Additionally, when considering that the acceleration of producer price inflation seen recently is largely seasonal and, after such seasonal adjustments are made, price inflation is actually slowing, one finds it difficult to ascribe much significance to the worsening inflation view. The latest CBI *Trends Survey* shows that a [illegible] balance of companies expect to raise prices over the next four months. A broad-based [illegible] of wages in the United Kingdom fails the reveal any upward shift in basic settlements [illegible] latest rise in retail prices [illegible] larger than expected, but [illegible] follows several months [illegible] they were better than expected. Overall, the worsening inflation scenario, seems to be a [illegible] short on strong evidence.

The worsening of the yield gap between conventional and index-linked [illegible] therefore appears to [illegible] caused by [illegible] yield spread between the two long [illegible] markets could rise to over [illegible] basis points from its then [illegible] basis-point gap.

By early April the maximum spread that could be justified by fundamental grounds (240 [illegible] points in 20-year stocks) had been reached and from then on our market has hung on New York's coat-tails. Conventional yields rose sharply as US [illegible] prices fell but index-linked [illegible] remained comparatively [illegible]. Given that inflation expectations had not worsened significantly, the rise in conventional yields should have been followed by a rise in index-linked yields. The fact that this did not occur up to May [illegible] related to tax.

Yields on conventional gilt-edged securities had been too low to be attractive to institutions (insurance companies) relative to index-linked. The bulk of the new money going into the conventional market came from gross funds such as pension funds [illegible]



US seems to have taken on a slightly more optimistic tone, but given that market's ability to turn on a sixpence nothing should be taken as read. The important event to watch for is the announcement of a deficit cutting package. With the US Senate going into recess on June 29 and the House of Representatives on July 2, some statement ought ot be expected before then.

The relationship of the US budget deficit and US real yields can be seen. What is most evident is the dramatic use of real US yields since 1981 occured in the period when US budget deficits began to soar. If a significant dent on the US Treasury's funding needs and, on historical grounds, would indicate a significant fall in real yields. Given the present state of nervousness in US bond markets, however, such a package may only slightly improve sentiment. Commentators will point out that this is only the first stage of the [illegible] process. [illegible]

ATHLETICS

Coe gains little but titles and bumps

By Pat Butcher

It is difficult to see what Sebastian Coe has gained from his victory in the Southern Counties AAA 1,500 meters on Saturday, apart from the minor title, and the fact that he submitted to being jostled by the pack for three laps at Crystal Palace, before sprinting away to a 10 metres win.

So many of his record-breaking races have been done in safe isolation, off the short-tails of a pacemaker, that even Coe has admitted in the past that he has been ill-equipped, the more so as a lightweight, to cope with the bump and bustle of the pack in championship races.

But any benefit of doing so on Saturday has to be [illegible] against his winning time of 3 min 43.11 Sec, three seconds faster than his [illegible] [illegible]

RUGBY UNION

Tobias (left) offered up teasing kicks Winterbottom could not resist

All uphill for England as [illegible] tactics fail

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they were in possession and going forward they laid the ball back so early and kept driving so far that England forward had no prospect of reaching it. [illegible] Springboks [illegible] in the way, coming in at all angles in a bid to prevent their visitors play anything like an expansive play. They were penalized, though not frequently enough, for doing so but they stopped England developing the game that has served them so well on tour.

In the circumstances it was a blessing for England that Tobias did not allow his natural genius full reign.

He may have been playing to instructions or nursing the dislocated shoulder which took him momentarily from the field early in the game but he was largely content to act as a link or put in some teasing chip kicks wich served to draw Winterbottom into some midfield maul where otherwise he might have been galloping free across the field.

Serfontein's tactical kicking steadied South Africa early in the second half when there was the slightly outlandish possibility the England might take the lead before Gerber's try effectively clinched the game. By that stage Heunis, with his bow-legged style of place kicking, had already scored 14 of his 21 points and South Africa had comfortably surpassed their previous highest score against England on nine points.

For those who enjoy such technicalities, South Africa had never previously scored more than one try in any of the previous seven matches against England, and Horton's dropped goal was the first such score by an Englishman against the Springboks.

[illegible] Springboks' plan [illegible] succeed supremely well. In order to do so they gave the impression of being prepared to concede on advantage at the [illegible] which, if it was the case, [illegible] bold decision. Aware [illegible] that normal South [illegible] lineout play might [illegible] Rene Hourquet's perception of the laws, they were [illegible] to see England [illegible]

The teams

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SCORERS: South Africa: Tries: Du Plessis, Gerber, Louw. Conversions: Heunis (3). Penalties Heunis (5). England: Penalties: Hare (4). Dropped Goal: Horton.

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Soviet pipe contract for Italy

From John Earle, Rome

Dalmine, part of the Italian state-owned Finsider Group, has signed a five-year contract worth 1 billion lire (£435m) to supply more than a million tons of steel pipe to the Soviet Union.

It is a first fruit of the agreement concluded in Moscow earlier last month whereby the state-owned ENI conglomerate will import increasing quantities of Siberian natural gas up to the year 2008. The Russians have promised that they will place orders with the aim of halving Italy's structural trade deficit, which last year amounted to 2,600 billion lire (£1,130m).

Dalmine, which signed the agreement last week, has given no details beyond that the pipe will cover a wide range of applications and that 150,000 tons of pipe will be supplied this year. The contract is larger than one Dalmine signed three years ago with US Steel to provide 600,000 tons of pipe over five years.

Search for top company

The search has begun for Britain's most enterprising company, to receive this year's Company of the Year award.

The award, which recognizes and publicizes the efforts of enterprising businesses, will be presented by Mr John Egan, chairman and chief executive of Jaguar Cars, on November 1.

Any company, including British subsidiary of an overseas company, with a turnover of more than £5m is eligible to enter. Companies are judged on their economic contribution and their degree of enterprise. The closing date for applications is July 31.

Companies wishing to put themselves forward or individuals wishing to nominate firms know to them, can obtain details from the Institute of Directors, 116 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5ED.

USM

Taking stock [illegible] present [illegible]

The Unlisted Securities Market is facing its toughest test since its inception in November 1980. Conditions in the market are money some of the most nervous ever experienced and this has started to [illegible] through to the USM.

Last week Data [illegible] USM Index had its [illegible] recorded one day shake-out, falling more than 5 points. On Friday it closed at 102.84 but still some way above the record of 55.25 reached on September 1981.

This has now reached the attention of the market sceptics who have always trated the USM as an overnight wonder which would end in tears at the first sign of a bear market.

The USM has certainly blossomed, along with the FT-30 Index's climb from 600 to more than 900, and shortages of stock have no doubt lent an exaggerated view to the performance of many share prices quoted in the secondary market. There is now growing fear that in a falling market these stock shortages might have an adverse effect on prices and bring a few of high-flyers back down to earth with a bump.

Mr Brain Winterflood, managing director of the stockjobber Bisgood Bishop, says: "This is the big test. I would like to see the queue of new issues finish for the time being".

The USM is now attracting better quality companies and less and less of the high-flyers that caused so much anxiety among members of the Stock Exchange Council.

"The day of the overrated p/e is finished. Existing shares need to be readjusted", adds Mr Winterflood.

This view is shared by Mr Tom Wyatt, a partner with the broker Grieveson Grant. "The USM has held up well so far," He says. "The market is marking down some of the goodies and it is becoming increasingly difficult to find the buyers."

Mr Wyatt agrees that certain companies need to take a closer look at their rating, but admits that some companies are starting to look cheap. "People

The number of companies now coming to market with a profits forecast is something in the region of one-to-ten. The shortages of stock could also be eased if the stock market raised the limit on the amount of equity to be quoted from its present limit of 10 per cent to nearer 20 per cent.

The USM has more than fulfilled its original aim, but further measures are needed to ensure its future survival. Meanwhile, the queue for applicants shows few signs of receding. Last week another four announced their intention of applying for a quote. Their timing could have been better.

Let us hope that Spectre Automotive and Engineering Products receives a better welcome than one of its non-executive directors, Mr Barry Sheene, a former world motor-cycling champion, received when he tried to gain access to the stock market floor for publicity purposes last week. Market officials decided that Mr Sheene's motorcycling leathers were inappropriate and refused him entry.

Spectre is a float-off from Sandhurst Marketing, the fully-quoted office equipment group headed by Mr Brian Hulme. Sandhurst has nurtured Spectre for a number of years and now hops to recoup some of its expenses with this USM listing. Spectre is a leading manufacturer and supplier of car-care products and has seen profits fluctuate over the years as the group built up.

In 1980 Spectre reported pretax profits of £259,000 on sales of £1.6m, but the following year profits fell to £69,000 following the group's move to Cornwall. In 1982 profits again rose to £171,000 and last year reported pretax profits of £354,000 on turnover of £3.7m.

placing had gone badly and the absence of willing buyers could result in a disappointing start to dealings.

Nevertheless, Mr Brian Hulme, the chairman, is confident of the group's future growth and claims: "We'll beat last year's profits and we'll get a bigger share of the market".

Hunter Saphir also confirmed its intention of joining the USM last week by announcing an offer for sale by County Bank of 1.78 million shares at 120p. This represents a mere 11 per cent of the shares and values the entire group at nearly £19m. Hunter Saphir is the creation of Mr Joe Saphir, the chairman, and is one of Britain's leading suppliers of fresh fruit and vegetables.

Major customers include Marks and Spencer, J. Sainsbury, Tesco and most other leading high street food retailers. It is Hunter Saphir's job to keep these food retailing groups stocked with vegetables and fruit in prime condition the year round.

The Saphir family will continue to own more than 50 per cent of the shares after the placing, with East Kent Packers another major shareholder. The group has an impressive track record and with so few shares on offer should open at a healthy premium in first-time dealings.

Dealings start today in the shares of Petrolex following the placing at 68p, by merchant banker Morgan Grenfell. At the placing price the company, which took its present shape following a merger with Viva Petroleum in April, is valued at £10.6m.

Petrolex has a clutch of North Sea oil and gas prospects and a 0.25 per cent stake in BP's Forties Field.

Michael Clark

Saint-Denis here on Saturday. Bubka had broken the previous record, held by Thierry Vigneron, of France, by .02m with 5.85 in Bratislava, Czechoslovakia, on May 26.

His achievement was the highlight of a meeting where track performances were affected by cold, windy conditions.

There was an easy win in the women's high jump for Tamara Bykova, of the Soviet Union, with 1.96m, and she narrowly failed to clear 2.0m, 4cm off her world record. Els Vader, of the Netherlands, defeated the Soviet Olympic champion, Ludmilla Kondratieva, in the 100 meters.

WINNERS: Men: 100 metres: A Gonzales (Cuba), 10.56sec. 200m: A Gonzales (Cuba), 21.11. 800m: A Juantorena (Cuba), 1:47.31. 400m hurdles: F Amike (Fr), 51.05. High jump: G Avdeenko (USSR), 2.21m. Pole vault: S Bubka (USSR), 5.88m (world record). Hep: Wed and jumps: Z Hoffman (GB), 17.34m. Shot: R Machura (Cz), 20.73m. Javelin: [illegible] 75.62m. Women: 100m: E Vader (Neth) 11.23sec. 200m: T Kocembova (Cz), 22.73. 800m: J Kraschevskova (Cz), 1:59.50. 1,500m: A Sergent (Fr), 4:15.81. 100m hurdles: L Elloy (Fr), 13.07. High jump: T Bykova (USSR), 1.96m. Long jump: A Cusmir (Rom), 7.00m. Shot: M Lisovskaya (Rom), 19.80m. Discus: F Craciunescu (Rom), 63.96m.

[illegible] threats [illegible] South Africa link

Africa. Delegates of the 191 affiliated clubs voted by 306 to 62, with 10 abstentions, against severing links, in spite of warnings that the decision could threaten the Commonwealth Games in two years'

Dr Danie Craven, president of the South African Rugby Board, said the decision helped to make June 2 an historic day for his country, as England was playing against the Springboks, and Mr Botha was having a "very satisfactory" meeting with Mrs Thatcher.

He said he hoped that Wales, who called off their tour to South Africa three years ago, would visit his country this year.

Ray Williams, the WRU secretary, said neither the threat of local authority sactions, or the possible repercussions to the Commonwealth Games, had been discussed at the 45-minute special meeting.

"I would be concerned if a decision taken by a body which has absolutely nothing to do with the Games would jeopardise the opportunity of any Welsh athlete taking part," said Williams. He added that the clubs may have voted to continue links with South Africa in retail-




Dr Craven: [illegible] historic day

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Earlier this year, Mid [illegible] county council [illegible] rugby squad from [illegible] facilities. Philip Squire, [illegible] council leader, said yesterday [illegible] would consider reintroducing the [illegible] to persuade the W[illegible] to reverse the decision.

Hanis Bhamb[illegible] the Wales anti-apartheid [illegible] said: "Up to now [illegible] been peaceful, but [illegible] in future to co[illegible]

All Blacks put on new wings for the French

Wellington, New Zealand (Reuter) – New Zealand's experienced left-winger, Bernie Fraser, has been dropped for the first international against France on June 16.

The decision to drop Fraser, aged 32, who has played in 22 tests, means the All Blacks will have two new wingers. Fraser's place has gone to Bruce Smith while a big 19-year-old Aucklander, John Kirwan, gains his chance on the right.

Kirwan replaces Stu Wilson, whose recent retirement ended the "ebony and ivory" partnership with Fraser at Wellington and in the All Black team.

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MOTOR CYCLING

Japanese hold sway

By Michael Scott

Today's Senior TT seems a resumption of battle between the Japanese Rivals – Suzuki and Honda – on the feared and repected Isle of Man mountain circuit. Now a somewhat faded classic, the TT was dropped from the world championship in 1977. It is eschewed as too dangerous by today's grand prix competitors. Yet new record speeds come each year from the TT's own elite of road circuit specialists.

From among these, Honda are today fielding Joey Dunlop and Roger Marshall, who were first and second in Saturday's opening formula one TT. Suzuki have interrupted the meteoric grand prix career of Rob McElnea, a winner here last year, and the veteran Mick Grant. Both retired in Saturday's big race.

McIlnay needs practice for today's senior event, although he was 17 seconds quicker round the 37¾ mile public roads circuit than Marshall, with Dunlop third.

SENIOR TT PRACTICE (Top 5): 1, R McIlnay (Suzuki) 20.03.8; 2, R Marshall (Honda) 20.20.8; 3, J Dunlop (Honda) 20.22.2; 4, B Woodland (Suzuki) 20.22.2; 5, Klein (Honda) 20.28.2.

FORMULA ONE TT: 1, J Dunlop (Honda) 2.01.37.0; 2, R Marshall (Honda) 2.01.57.2; 3, T Rutter (Ducati) 2.04.07.2; 4, A McGladdery (Kawasaki) 2.06.20.0; 5, T Nation (Ducati) 2.06.32.4.

HISTORIC TT: 1, D Roper (Matchless) 1.10.20.8; 2, I Lougher (Matchless) 1.11.18.2; 3, Cull (Aer Macchi) 1.12.05.6; 4, J Miller (Aer Macchi) 1.12.08.8; 5, B Johnson (Norton) 1.12.12.6.

SIDECAR EVENT (First leg): 1, M Boddice, C Birks (Yamaha) 1.05.19.0; 2, D and J Bingham (Yamaha) 1.05.21.0; 3, T Abbot, S Smith (Yamaha) 1.05.25.4; 4, D Plummer, B Marris (Yamaha) 1.05.19.6; 5, L Burton, P Cushnahan (Yamaha) 1.06.24.2.

TABLE TENNIS

Final is anti-climax

From a Special Correspondent, Hongkong

Only China's controversial policy of exhibition-style play in finals between their own players spoilt the success of the last Masters sponsored by Norwich Union here on Saturday.

No amount of contrived acrobatics in He Zhi-wen's unexpected 21-8, 15-21, 23-24, 21-13 win over the favourite, Xie Saike, could cover up the anti-climax of the final after the scintillating semi-final displays that had accounted for the two top Europeans.

A noisy full house of 3,500 – many more were locked out in the streets – saw the European champions of Sweden, Ulf Bengtsson overwhelmed 2-16, 21-11, 21-14 by Saike, and the European runner-up from Poland, Andrzej Grubba unable to cope with that awkward left-handedness of He Zhi-wen in another straight games defeat.

The Chinese players will ho forward to the World Cup in Kuala Lumpur in August, much more confident of being able to avenge the humiliation last time, when the Swedes unexpectedly took the first three places.

Semi-finals: Xie Saike (China) bt U Bengtsson (Swe) 21-16, 21-11, 21-14; He Zhi-Wen (China) bt A Grubba (Pol) 21-19, 21-10, 21-12. Final: He Zhi-Wen bt Xie Saike 21-8, 15-21, 23-24, 21-10.

Playoffs: Third place: Bengtsson bt Grubba 18-21, 21-14, 21-14. Fifth place: Chen Long Can (China) bt Jan-Ove Waldner (Swe) 18-21, 21-8, 21-13. Seventh place: Chan Kong Wah (Hongkong) bt P Birocheau (Fr) 21-15, 21-13. Ninth place: U Carlsson (Swe) bt C Prean (Eng) 17-21, 21-8, 21-13. Eleventh place: F Romerse [illegible] bt B Kucharski (Pol) 27-25, 21-16.

TENNIS: McENROE REACHES QUARTER–FINALS OF FRENCH OPEN

An aging Higueras is confounded by McEnroe's delicacy of touch

From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Paris

John McEnroe is still in the running for the French singles championship, a prize beyond the reach of Americans for 29 years. He advanced to the last eight with a 6-4, 7-6, 3-6, 6-3 win over José Higueras, who contested the semi-finals in 1982 and 1983. It was an occasion that, though, deficient in sunshine, otherwise captured the special ambience of tennis as it is played at the Roland Garros Stadium.

The day was grey and humid, the cloudscape dramatic. Twice, the players had to retreat to the dressing room while many spectators sheltered from the rain under that renowned horse chestnut on the promenade. But the sounds of the centre court, its musical score, were true to tradition – the rustle of shoes on shale, the muted thud of ball on racket, the drone of aircraft, and the tense silences – punctuated by scattered coughs – that are peculiar to vast assemblies. The crowd was not far short of the arena's 16,500 capacity.

The tennis was in the hands of two fine players who provided striking contrasts in personalities and playing methods. McEnroe, smouldering with ill-suppressed anger at his failure to achieve perfection, fretted about this and that, but played some enchanting tennis – notable for his delicacy of touch on volleyed drops, and his knack of suddenly accelerating the pace, often by taking the ball early.

Higueras is a dark and handsome Spaniard, with an air of patient suffering. What a companion he would be on the mountains: he never hurries, never tires, never flinches in the face of adversity and never does anything daft. Higueras is a fine sportsman, too, once, he refused to take a point that did not belong to him. His tennis is assiduously home-spun. An improvised splendour is sometimes forced upon him, but he never seeks it.

The spectators included the only Spaniard to win this title: Manuel Santana and Andres Gimeno. Higueras is not in their class. Nor is he in McEnroe's. His serenity was disrupted by a howl of anguish as McEnroe passed him with a forehand down the line to bread to 4-2 in the fourth set. Higureras had a great shot left in him: another forehand down the line, a lunging shot played on the run off a majestic, backhand by McEnroe. But the party was over.

Higueras has had 31 birthdays. He belongs to a generation who can take pride in the work they have done this past week. Jimmy Connors (31) and Balazs Taroczy (30) were still in business; Wojtek Fibak and Harold Solomon, both 31, failed to reach the last 16 – but Fibak had won eight sets out of 15 and Solomon, seven out of 13. Brian Gottfried, aged 32, the professionals' professional, took Jimmy Arias to five sets yesterday and on Saturday, Hans Gildemeister, a relatively young 28, led Henrik Sundstrom by 6-2, 6-0 and 5-1 (and was serving at 5-2 and 30-15) before a flood of self-doubt engulfed him.

In the women's singles, the expected quarter-final between Marina Navratilova and Kathleen Horvath, who have each lost only 10 games in four matches, has come to pass, a tantalizing confrontation because it was here, last year, that Miss Horvath, now 18, was responsible for Miss Navratilova's only defeat in 1983.

Must youth have its say? Yesterday's evidence was hardly encouraging for Miss Navratilova, because Miss Howarth and four more teenagers romped into the last eight – Carling Bassett, Camille Benjamin, Lisa Bonder and Melissa Brown, all under 19.

MEN'S SINGLES: J McEnroe (US) bt J Higueras (Sp), 6–4, 7–6, 3–6, 6–3; J Arias (US) bt B Gottfried (US), 6–4, 2–6, 6–4, 1–6, 6–2.
WOMEN'S SINGLES: M Navratilova bt C Khode (WG), 6–0, 6–1; K Horvath (US) bt L Arraya (Peru), 6–4, 6–0; H Mandlova bt P Keppeler (WG), 6–0, 4–6, 6–1; L Bonder (US) bt S Goles (Yug), 6–3, 5–7, 6–6.

POLO

Les Diables owe thanks to Gracida

By John Watson

The first high-goal tournament of the season, the Queen's Cup, sponsored by Dunhill, opened yesterday with two quarter-final matches at Smith's Lawn, Windsor.

In the first of those, Guy Wilenstein's Les Diables Bleus defeated the squad put together by Peter Grace, Piaget (received three), 10-7. Yesterday Piaget showed up to better advantage than in the Abela Cup last Thursday. Les Diatles' No. 2, John Horswell, was suffering from a back injury

Julian Hipwood, the nine-goaler who was prevented by a thumb injury from taking his place in Les Diables' line-up, gave the team some animated coaching during treading-in time. Thereafter his Mexican stand-in, Ruben Gracida, the strongest player on the ground, and Horswell ensured that Les Diables remained in control.

At 5-5 in the fourth chukka of the second encounter, between Chopendoz (received) and Kouros, a fierce collision resulted in Chopendoz's No 3, Robert Graham, being driven off in an ambulance. Paul Mckenzie, riding Graham's ponies, substituted for him to good effect, but at the last bell the score was 8-6 to Kouros.

LES DIABLES BLEUS: 1, G Wildenstein (3); 2, J Horswell (6); 3, R Gracida (7); Back, HRH the Prince of Wales (4).
PIAGET: 1, J Lucas (4); 2, J Gilmore (6); 3, P Grace (3); Back, R Ferguson (4).
KOUROS: 1, S Harper (4); 2, M Brown (6); 3, T Devcich (7); Back, O Ellis (5).
CHOPENDOZ: 1, B Morrison (2); 2, A Galvani (6); 3, R Graham (5); Back, R Watt (5).

EQUESTRIANISM

Skelton sprints to dramatic victory

By Jenny MacArthur

Nick Skelton, riding Clemence Property's St James, produced all the skill and flair which have made him one of the world's top show jumpers, to win the £10,000 fist prize in the Dubai Cup at Hickstead yesterday, after a jump-off involving the three best horses in Europe.

Britain's Olympic front runner, John Whitaker, the Next team's Ryan's Son finished second, and West Germany's counterpart, Paul Schockemohle, on Deister, took third place.

St James, who had an outstanding indoor winter season, winning the world cup qualifying events in Toronto and at Olympia, has adapted swiftly to the outdoor season. He won two big classes in Paris last month, and his performance yesterday confirmed that form.

Seven clear rounds went into the second round of the grand prix. Skelton, Schockemohle and Whitaker all achieved a double clear.

The young Annette Lewis, from Essex, who did astonishingly well to get this far on Tutein, a horse with great scope who nearly jumps his young rider right out of the saddle, had the same fence down. Ireland's Eddie Macken, with Carroll's El Paso, also went out of the running with four faults, as did his compatriot, Paul Darragh, with Carroll's Young Diamond.

The stage was thus set for the kind of finale for which the organizers must have dreamt. Schockemohle was first into the ring for the jump-off. He cut such a fine corner before the second fence that Deister refused.

The 16-year-old Ryan's Son, so beloved of the Hickstead crowd, then entered the ring with the inscrutable John Whitaker. They cut all possible corners, and in the long gallop to the final fence were urged on by the cries of the crowd, including those of Whitaker's daughter, Louise, aged four. They met the fence just right, and finished clear in 43.40 secs.

But no rider is safe when Skelton is the last to go. The professional rider from Warwickshire, who wanted to be a jump jockey, was presented with the kind of challenge he loves. Leaning forward in his customary manner, he set off at a brisk pace, and was matching Whitaker's time at the penultimate fence. Then the jump jockey in him came through – rarely can the crowd have seen a show-jumper produce such a gallop. "You only have to loose him and he's gone," Skelton said afterwards. They hurtled across the ring, flew the last and finished in 41.71 sec.

Skelton: last to go

RESULTS: (GB unless stated): Dubai Cup Grand Prix: 1, St James (N Skelton), 0 in 41.71 sec; 2, Ryan's Son (J Whitaker), 0 in 43.40; 3, Deister (P Schockemohle, WG), 3 in 46.76.

Rolls Royce Stakes: 1, Gabhran (J Ledingham, Ire), 28 in 70.16; 2, Sanyo Galaxy (H Smith), 27 in 69.79; 3, Royal Rake (W Funnell), 26 in 67.92.

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BOWLS

Bryant wins Masters yet again

By Gordon Allan

David Bryant beat Peter Belliss, of New Zealand, 21-16 in the finals of the Masters tournament sponsored by the Gateway Building Society at Beach House Park, Worthing, yesterday. It is the fourth time he has won this event and he collected the record first prize of £5,500.

Bryant, who has shed 22lb in weight recently in his efforts to reach peak fitness for next months world championships at Aberdeen, bowled a more consistent length than Belliss and it is length that wins matches. Belliss led twice, – at 5-0 and 15-3 – but fired too often for his own good, although the crowd loved it. At one end he fired and missed three times.

Bryant, as always, remained cool under the mighty man's barrage and when the match was over threw his arms in the air – a rare moment of display for him. He had lost to George Souza, of Hongkong, in last year's final and he was not going to be disappointed again.

In the semi-finals Bryant beat Dan Milligan, of Canada, 21-13 and Belliss beat George Souza 21-10.

Belliss finished off Souza in 15 ends, scoring fours at two consecutive ends to advance from 11-7 to 19-7. Souza has not bowled well this weekend. He is one of five players at Worthing – the others are Bryant, Belliss, John Bell and Willie Wood – who are going on to the world championships.

RESULTS: Section A: P Belliss (NZ) 21; F Souza (US) 13; Belliss 21; D Bryant (England) 16; J Bell (England) 21; Souza 6. Section B: G Souza (Hongkong) 21; D Ross (Australia) 16; D Milligan (Canada) 21; W Wood (Scotland) 20; Souza 21; Wood 16. Semi-finals: Belliss 21; G Souza 10; Bryant 21; Milligan 13. Final: Bryant 21; Belliss 16. Third-place match: Milligan 21; Souza 19.

POWER BOATS

Molinari moves up

Roger Jenkins lost his leadership of the wold formula one inshore powerboating championship when he finished sixth in the Paris Grand Prix yesterday. The 1982 world champion's boat was not able to cope with the rough conditions.

The winner, Renato Molinari, of Italy, is now joint leader of the championship, with the Dutchman Cess Van der Velden. Both have 15 points. Britain's Tom Percival is third with 12 points

PARIS GRAND PRIX: 1, R Molinari (It); 2, C Van der Velden (Netherlands); 3, T Percival (GB).

Colin Gervaise-Brazier, of Guernsey, demonstrated his local knowledge when he won the Peter Stuyvesant Guernsey offshore national trophy over a course shortened because of rough weather. The conditions suited his 39 foot monohull, Jaguar-powered powerboat, The Legend.

PETER STUYVESANT GUERNSEY NATIONAL: 1, C Gervaise-Brazier, The Legend; 2, J Clarke, Clarke Group Racing; 3, H Hector, High Performance.

Bowman drives to victory

By a Special Correspondent

George Bowman of Penrith, the former world carriage-driving champion, won the horse teams event at the Holker Hall trials in Cumbria.

He beat Prince Philip, driving a team of the Queen's horses, into second place. Third was Alan Bristow of Cranleigh.

CLASS WINNERS:

Horse teams: G Bowman, Penrith; Pony teams: Miss C Bunn, Pershore; Horse pairs: F Pendlebury, Bolton; Pony pairs: R Beeby, Huntingdon; Single horses: H C Brown, Paisley; Single ponies: E Green, Kidderminster; Tandem horses: Mrs S A Garnett, Dorking; Tandem ponies: J N Fowler, Sidmouth; Novice single horses: P Collier, York; Novice single ponies: Mrs M Bellamy, York.

Eurell wins on Mr Shrimpton

Lucerne (Reuter) – Greg Eurell, of Australia, riding Mr Shrimpton, won a jumping event here on the third day of the Lucerne International Horse Show.

The two-man team event was won by Thomas Fruehman, of Austria, on Gondelier and Emile Hendrix, of The Netherlands, on Suprice.

RESULTS: Jumping: 1, G Eurell (Aus), Mr Shrimpton, no faults, 65.89 sec; 2, B Grandjean (Switz), Hurry On, 0/69.70; 3, J Hilsebrand (Switz), Acer, 0/70.21. British results: 7, J Germany, Whisper Grey, 0/74.83. Two-man team event: 1, T Fruehman (Austria), Gondelier and Emile Hendrix (Neth), Suprice 79.56 sec; 2, F Slothaak, Verkant/F Ligges, Fandango (WG) 81.60; 3, G Creighton, Sounds Easy/J McVean, Jameson Jet (Aus) 88.03. Puissance: 1, P Pusaz (Switz), Beethoven, four points in fourth jump-off; 1, T Fruehman (Austria), Bandit, same; 3, H Hulzebos (Austria), Landgraf, did not try fourth jump-off.

MOTO-CROSS

Belgians shine in grand prix

Beuern, (Reuter) – Belgian riders shone as Honda dominated the West German 500cc motocross grand prix here yesterday. The former world champion, Andre Malherbe, of Belgium, rode his Honda to victory in the first event ahead of David Thorpe, of Britain, and Georges Jobe on a Kawasaki.

In a clean sweep for Hondas in the second round, Eric Geboers, of Belguim, rode to victory over Malherbe, with Thorpe taking third place.

RESULTS: First race: 1, A Malherbe (Bel), Honda; 2, D Thorpe (GB), Honda; 3, G Jobe (Bel), Kawasaki. Second race: 1, E Geboers (Bel), Honda; 2, A Malherbe (Bel), Honda; 3, D orpe (GB), Honda. Other British placing: 6, D Watson, Kawasaki.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, Malherbe 192pts; 2, Thorpe 191; 3, Jobe 184.

IN BRIEF

Young Soviets the latest to pay the penalty

Hungary won the European youth football championship in Moscow yesterday defeating the Soviet Union in a sudden-death penalty shoot-out after the teams had been locked at 0-0 after extra time and 2-2 after five penalties each.

Erwin Kovacs scored Hungary's winning penalty with his team's sixth shot which just beat the Soviet keeper, Kutepov. Seconds earlier Hungary's goalkeeper, Petry had dived to his left to save the soviet union's sixth kick of the shoot-out.

It was the third time in 11 days that a major European trophy had been settled by a penalty shoot-out. Last week Liverpool beat Roma to lift the European Champions' Cup and seven days earlier Tottenham won the UEFA Cup on penalties against Anderlect.

Playing in bright sunshine in front of a 72,800 crowd, the teams completed a goalless 80 minutes and were still drawing 0-0 after 20 minutes extra-time.

ATHLETICS: Soviet atheletes, after withdrawing from the Los Angleles Games, showed Olympic form on Saturday, winning six of the 11 events in a four-nation competition in Turino. Igor Plakin won the high jump at 2.29 metres, Viktor Markin dominated the 400-metres and Jurij Sedikh took the hammer-throw with the best performance in the world this season, 31.52 metres.

EQUESTRIANISM: Sonja Sterzinger, who had hoped to gain a place in the Los Angeles Olympics, was killed by a fall in the West German national three-day eventing championships on Saturday. She was thrown from her eight-year-old horse, Top House, when the gelding failed to clear the penultimate jump in the cross country.

Top House fell on Miss Sterzinger, whose injuries included a fractured skull. She died in hospital two hours later.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Toronto Blue Jays 9, New York Yankees 8 (10 inns); Baltimore Orioles 5, Detroit Tigers 0; Boston Red Sox 6, Milwaukee Brewers 3; California Angels 6, Cleveland Indians 4; Oakland A's 6, Chicago White Sox 3; Kansas City Royals 7, Minnesota Twins 6 (10 inns); Seattle Mariners 10, Texas Rangers 7. Friday's games: California 5, Cleveland 2; Detroit 14, Baltimore 2; Toronto 10, New York 2; Chicago 6, Oakland 4; Boston 3, Milwaukee 1; Seattle 5, Texas 3; Kansas City 7, Minnesota 1.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Mets 5, St Louis Cardinals 2; Philadelphia Phillies 3, Chicago Cubs 2; San Diego Padres 3, San Francisco Giants 2 (10 inns); Atlanta Braves 9, Cincinnati Reds 3; Pittsburgh Pirates 2, Montreal Expos 1; Houston Astros 9, Los Angeles Dodgers 3. Friday's games: Atlanta v Cincinnati 4-2 and 7-3; Montreal 2, Pittsburgh 0; St Louis 5, New York 1; Chicago 12, Philadelphia 3; Los Angeles 6, Houston 2; San Francisco 11, San Diego 7.

BADMINTON

CALDAS DE RAINHA: Portuguese Championships: Men's singles: T Angarth (Swe), b G Asquith (GB), 15-9, 10-15, 15-8. Women's singles: S Elliot (GB) bt Eva Stuart (GB), 11-7, 11-6. Men's doubles: Asquith/Stuart (GB) bt Eddy/Paxer (GB), 17-15, 15-12. Women's doubles: S Elliot/Eva Stuart b B Lund/G Rygaard (Den) 15-9, 15-4. Mixed doubles: Asquith/Elliot b Eddy/Eva Stuart 15-12, 9-15 15-3.

FOOTBALL

MOSCOW: European Youth Championship: Final: Hungary 0, USSR 0 (aet, Hungary won on penalties). Third place match: Poland 2, Republic of Ireland 1.
INTERNATIONALS: England 0, USSR 2; Portugal 2, Yugoslavia 3; France 2, Scotland 0.
WEST GERMAN LEAGUE: Play-off to decide promotion/relegation. First leg: Duisburg 0, Eintracht Frankfurt 5
SWISS LEAGUE: Bellinzona 3, Sion 4; Lucerne 4, Basle 1; Neuchatel Xamax 0, La Chaux de Fonds 0, St Gallen 1, Grasshoppers 1, Vevey 3, Chiasso 2; Wettingen 1, Aarau 2; Young Boys 1, Lausanne 3; Zurich 0, Servette 1.
LUXEMBOURG CUP: Final: Avenir Beggen 4, Union Luxembourg 1.
TURKISH PRESIDENTIAL CUP: Fenerbahce 1, Trabzonspor 0.
FRIENDLIES: Australia 3, Glasgow Rangers 2 (McCoist 2); Nottingham Forest 0, Manchester United 1 (Hughes, in Melbourne); AFC Leopards (Ken) 4, Notts County 2 (Murila og, McParland).
JAPAN CUP: Semi-finals: Republic of Ireland 1 (O'Keefe), China 0: Internacionale (Br) 4 Toulouse 1.
SEOUL: President's Cup: Group B: Thailand 1, Cercle Bruges 1: Hallelujah (South Korea) 0, Bangu AC (Br) 0.

WEIGHTLIFTING

RHEIMS: Heavyweight: Snatch: Gunjashev (USSR), 211 kg (world record). Combined: 465kg (world record).

VOLLEYBALL

LENINGRAD: Womens International Tournament: China 3, Japan 1. Japan 3, US 0; China 3, US 2. Third place match: USSR 1, US 3.
NAGOYA: Tour match: Japan 0, US 3.

ATHLETICS

50-mile road race: (Edinburgh Glasgow): 1, D Ritchie (Forres Harriers) 5hr 3 min 44sec (course record); 2, D Taylor (Hunters BT) 5.24.37; 3, C Youngson (Aberdeen AAC) 5.28.15.
EUGENE, Oregon: NCAAA championships: 400 metres hurdles: D Harris 48.81 sec (World intermediate record).
STOCKHOLM MARATHON: 1, A Masong (Tan), 2hr 13 min 47 sec; 2, B Lauenberg (Den), 2.14:53; 3, T Persson (Swe), 2:15:00; 4, M Spottel (WG), 2:15:51; 5, P Joannes (Fr), 2:17:12. Women: 1, R Van Landeghem (Bel), 2:34:10; 2, J Wipl (US), 2:37:50; 3, E Palm (Swe), 2:39:38; 4, A Kringstad (Swe), 2:40:30; 5, G Burley (GB), 2:42:43.
TURIN: International meeting: 200m: 1, P Mennea (It) 20.60sec; 2, V Muravyev (USSR) 20.76; 3, S Tilli (It) 20.77. Second race: 1, S Leonard (Cuba), 20.86; 2, G Menczer (Hun), 21.12; 3, E Moltrasio (It), 21.13. 1500m: 1, S Aouita (Mor), 3:36.1; 2, R Materazzi (It), 3.37.68; 3, A Kalutskiy (USSR), 3:39.85. 5,000m: 1, D Dmitryev (USSR), 13:37.49; 2, A Cova (It), 13:40.31; 3, S Antibo (It), 13:40.39. 110m hurdles: 1, G Bakos (Hun), 13.78; 2, S Usov (USSR), 13.78; 3, D Fontecchio (It), 13.97. 3,000m steeplechase: 1, B Maminski (Pol), 8:21.00; 2, K Wesolowski (Pol), 8:22.11; 3, I Konovalov (USSR), 8:25.81. Javelin: 1, H Puuste (USSR), 82.50m; 2, D Kula (USSR), 80 42m; 3, T Bolgar (Hun), 77.70m.
Saturday's winners: 100m: M Woronin (Pol) 10.15. 400m: V Markin (USSR) 46.13. 800m: D Sabia (It) 1min 45.35sec. 3,000m: A Selvaggio (It) 7:48.14. 400m hurdles: A Khariov (USSR) 49.67. 4 x 100m relay: USSR 39.05. 10km walk: M Damilano (It) 39:43.91. Long jump: G Evangelisti (It) 8.15m. High jump: I Paklin (USSR) 2.29m. Hammer: Y Sedykh (USSR) 81.52m. Discus: R Ubartas (USSR) 66.92m.
ERFURT: East German Championships: Winners: 200m: F Emmelmann, 20.48. 1,500m: A Busse, 3:36.03. 5,000m: H Kunze, 13:47.31. 4 x 100m relay: EG national team (Lieske/Schersing/Carlowitz/Schoenlevel) 3:00.07 (European record). Hammer: R Haber, 78.04m. Long jump: L Dombrowski, 8.28m. Women: 200m: M Goehr, 21.74. 1,500m: U Bruns, 4 01 38. 4 x 400m relay: EG national team (Valcher/Busch/Ruebsam/Koch) 3:15.92 (world record). Discus: G Beyer, 70.32m. High jump: A Bienias, 1.94m. Shot: I Briesenick, 21 20m. Javelin: P Felke, 65.90m.

GOLF

PGA TOUR: Money winners: (US unless stated): 1, T Watson, $345,058; 2, A Bean, $271, 419; 3, F Couples, $259, 953; 4, B Crenshaw $246,750; 5, G Kock, $232,426; 6, G Morgan, $231,072; 7, D Edwards, $225,511; 8, T Kite, $223,196; 9, B Lietzke, $217,627; 10, C Stadler, $214,838 16, N Faldo (GB), $150,771.

KISHIMOT, Japan: Women's tournament: Final scores (Japanese unless stated): 214, Tu A-Yu (Tai), 67, 76, 71, S Suzuki 69, 75, 70 (Tu won playoff), 216: R Imahori, 73, 70, 73. 217: Tsai Li-Hsiang (Tai), 72, 74, 71; M Fujimura, 71, 77, 69.

MASON, Ohio: LPGA Championship: Third round (all US): 204: P Sheehan, 71, 70, 63; 213: P Bradley, 71, 72, 70; C Hill, 66, 78, 69; P Rizzo, 74, 71, 68. 214: P Putz, 72, 72, 70. B Daniel, 71, 73, 70, D Germain, 71, 75, 68. 215: L Young, 72, 72, 71; B King, 72, 67, 76. 216: L Garbacz, 74, 70, 72.

YACHTING

COWES: Hunting Group Solent Points race 3: Class I: 1, Hurrycane (K. Brunsfled); 2, Formidable (C. Dunning); 3, Saphire (J. Bassett). Class II: 1, Kelly's Eye (D. Jefferies); 2, Blue Point (J. Burton); 3, Flairpath (RAF Sailing Association). Class III: 1, White Gold III (A. Miller); 2, Imperator (P. Waxman); 3, Oblivion Express (C. Stow). Class IV: 1, Catch 22 (J. Allenby); 2, Balthazar (I. Macdonald-Smith); 3, Habe (T. Harrison). Class V: 1, Hannah (H. Sellers); 2, Star-Born II (P. Dickson); 3, Shaved Fish (S. Kestin). Class VI: 1, Geebee (G. Buttigieg); 2, Second Injection (P. Vincent); 3, Reflection (M. Fawcett).

GYMNASTICS

EAST KILBRIDE: Scottish Amateur Senior Championships: Men: 1, S Whiting (East Kilbride) 103.50 pts; 2, S McMahon (Glasgow Central) 99.45 pts; 3, A Casey (Glasgow Central) 98.50 pts. Team: Glasgow Central 147.85 pts. Women: 1, L Morrison (Oriole) 72.30 pts; 2, L Morris (Meadowbank) 70.50 pts; 3, E Mills (East Kilbride) 69.30 pts.

CYCLING

DAUPHINE LIBERE RACE: Sixth stage: (Chambery – Le Fontanil, 99 miles): 1, F Rodriguez (Col), 4hr 51min 2sec; 2, B Hinault (Fr), 4:52.38; 3, G Lemond (US), 4:53.37. GB placing: S Roche, 5:00.41. Seventh stage: (Fontanil – Col du Rousset, 111 miles): 1, P Anderson (Aus), 5hr 33min 8sec; 2, J-C Bagot (Fr), 18 sec behind 5:33.26; 3, D Garde (Fr), 5:33.49. GB placing: Roche 5:40.20. Overall: 1, M Ramirez (Col), 31:49.24; 2, B Hinault (La Vie Claire), 31:49.48; 3, P Simon (Fr), (Peugeot Shell) 31:54.55; 4, G Lemond (Renault Elf), 31:55.29; 5, S Roche (La Redoute), 31:58.03.

BOXING

OAKLAND, California: WBC Cruiserweight Championship: Carlos Deleon (Puerto Rico, holder) bt Bashiru Ali (Nigeria) pts.

FENCING

DE BEAUMONT CENTRE: Desprez Cup (Women's foil tournament): Quarter-finals: K Cecil (Salle Boston) bt J Roberts (Chester), 8-4; S Hoad (Salle Boston) bt G Meyer (Aus), 10-8; L Strachan (London Thames) bt A Ferguson (Ashton, Lancs), 8-6; M Lloyd (London Thames) bt T Whitehead (Salle Paul), 8-1. Semi-finals: Cecil bt Hoad 8-6; Strachan bt Lloyd 8-3. Final: Cecil bt Strachan 8-6.

GLIDING

NYMPSFIELD, Gloucestershire: Standard Class Nationals: Class 208 kilometre triangle to Chipping Camden and Ludlow: 1 A Davies (LS4) Speed 94.29 kph, 882 points; 2 J Wills (LS4) 82.72 kph, 778 pts; 3 G Rollings (Pegasus) 80.81 kph, 759 pts; 4 M Wells (LS4) 79.39 kph, 748 pts; 5 B Forrest (Libelle 201B) 72.29 kph, 681 pts.

SHINTY

GLENMORANGIE CAMANACHO CUP: Final: Kingussie 4, Newtonmore 1.

HOCKEY

MOSCOW: Tour match: USSR 4, Pakistan 1

CRICKET: YORKSHIRE BATSMAN GOES ON THE RAMPAGE

A cut above: Greig lead a Sussex charge at Horsham. (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Stevenson savages Somerset Attack

By Peter Ball

MIDDLESBROUGH: Yorkshire (4 pts) beat Somerset by seven wickets.

A blistering display of hitting by Graham Stevenson gave Yorkshire their first John Player League victory of the season. Chasing a large target of 234 for victory, Yorkshire's prospects looked bleak when Stevenson arrived at the wicket with 100 still needed off 11 overs, but Somerset's bowlers were stunned by the ferocity of his onslaught, and he blasted his side home with 21 balls remaining.

Bare figures can only tell part of the tale, but they are revealing enough. Stevenson hit 10 sixes in all, several of them towering blows, two clearing the press box and one crashing through the scorers' window. His 50 came up off only 18 deliveries, and his final 81 not out arrived in 29 balls.

Martin Crowe, the New Zealand Test all-rounder, conceded six sixes in two overs, and Wilson, who had taken all three Yorkshire wickets in an impressive first seven overs for 21 runs, saw his figures ruined as 21 more came off his final over. Only Dredge, aiming at leg stump, avoided embarrassment.

So Boycott's first Sunday League captaincy for seven years ended successfully.

The Somerset opening batsmen needed no further fortune. If boundaries were scarce intially, ones and twos came regularly, and the two had put on 93 at the halfway mark when Fletcher found the edge of Denning's bat, for Rhodes to take a good diving catch.

Roebuck, who had scored only two fours on his way to 50, hit four more before a wild charge at Carrick ended in a steepling catch to the wicketkeeper. Rose carved, squirted and slashed his way to 39, and Popplewell picked up a brisk 31, hitting the erring Stevenson for two sixes over square leg – that was to prove to be tempting fate.

The Yorkshire opening batsmen, in their turn, gave their team a sound start.

When Moxon left to a running catch at wide mid-off in the twenty-first over, Yorkshire were behind the run rate. Boycott, who was dropped at 50 and 57, rode his luck for a time, and then his departure set the scene for Stevenson.

SOMERSET	
*P M Roebuck c Rhodes b Carrick	84
P W Denning c Rhodes b Fletcher	45
B C Rose b Sidebottom	39
M D Crowe c Moxon b Stevenson	28
N F M Popplewell c Stevenson b Sidebottom	31
J W Lloyds not out	1
Extras (l-b 4, n-b 1)	5
Total (40 overs)	233

G V Palmer, †T Gard, C H Dredge, M R Davis and H Wilson did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–93, 2–151, 3–186, 4–220, 5–233.

BOWLING: Oldham, 7-0-41-0; Moxon, 4-0-21-0; Sidebottom, 8-0-44-2; Stevenson, 6-0-46-1; Carrick, 8-0-37-1; Fletcher, 7-0-39-1.

YORKSHIRE	
*G Boycott c Popplewell b Wilson	67
M D Moxon c Palmer b Wilson	38
D Sharp c Davis b Wilson	7
J D Love not out	35
Extras (1-b 5, wl, n-b 2)	
Total (3wkts, 36.3 overs)	

S N Gartley, P Carrick, A Sidebottom, †S J Rhodes, S Oldham and S D Fletcher did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–84, 2–100, 3–123.

BOWLING: Davis, 8-0-29-0; Dredge, 6.3-1-21-0; Palmer, 6-0-39-0; Wilson, 8-0-48-3; Crowe, 6-0-70-0; Popplewell, 2-0-25%0.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and R A White.

Essex take last six for 29 runs

By Marcus Williams

Hinkley : Essex (4 pts) beat Leicestershire by 30 runs.

Leicestershire, losing their last six wickets for 29 runs, were easily defeated yesterday in the first John Player League match played at Hinckley. In a low-scoring contest reduced to 31 overs only Gooch, of Essex and Willey, Leicestershire's acting captain, batted with any degree of freedom on a pitch offering encouragement to all the bowlers.

Rain delayed the start until three o'clock and when Essex were put in Gooch and Gladwin got them away to a tidy start. At 47 in the 12th over Gladwin lofted a catch to mid-off. And, with Willey and Roberts applying the brake, McEwan holed out to deep mid-wicket.

Phillip, promoted to No. 4, prospered for a while before coming Willey's second victim, but Gooch fought through to his 50 in the 25th over. He then came down the pitch and hit Clift straight down long-on's throat.

Thanks to Fletcher's experience, a nudge here and a tickle there, and two powerful blows to the boundary in a last over from Roberts which cost 13 runs, Essex reached 148 for seven and that looked a useful total when Leicestershire were reduced to 21 for 3 in the tenth over by Lever and Gooch.

Willey, befitting a man with 299 runs in his previous five one-day innings, went on to the offensive, hitting Gooch and Acfield for sixes to long-off, but the ball after achieving his half-century, he gave a simple catch to mid-on.

Leicestershire needed 62 off the last 10 overs and with Boon and Garnham falling in successive overs, they had much to do. The target had become 38 off five overs when Parsons perished at long-on and with only seven runs added Roberts was run out, paying the penalty for not grounding his bat.

ESSEX	
G A Gooch c Whitaker b Clift	51
C Gladwin c Whitaker b Parsons	20
K S McEwan c Butcher b Willey	8
N Phillip c Boon b Willey	13
*K W R Fletcher not out	30
A W Lilley b Roberts	1
B R Hardie b Clift	7
S Turner c Clift b Roberts	1
†D E East not out	6
Extras (lb-10, w-1)	11
Total (7 wkts, 31 overs)	148

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–47, 2–66, 3–94, 4–106, 5–114, 6–123, 7–130

J K Lever and D L Acfield did not bat.

BOWLING: Agnew, 6-0-33-0, Parsons,6-1-17-1, Clift, 6-0-30-2, Roberts, 7-0-32-2, Lilley, 6-0-25-2

LEICESTERSHIRE	
I P Butcher c Fletcher b Lever	3
N E Briers c East b Lever	5
*P Willey c Hardie b Turner	51
J J Whitaker c and b Gooch	0
T J Boon c Hardie b Turner	14
†M A Garnham b Gooch	13
P B Clift c Mc Ewan b Phillip	17
G J Parsons c sub b Phillip	6
A M E Roberts run out	1
N G B Cook run out	0
J P Agnew not out	0
Extras (b2, l-b, 4 n-b 2)	8
Total (26.3 overs)	118

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–3, 2–15, 3–21, 4–69, 5–89, 6–93, 7–111, 8–118, 9–118, 10–118.

BOWLING: Philip, 5.3-0-22-2; Acfield, 6-0-29-0; Gooch, 6-1-30-2; Turner, 5-0-24-2.

Umpires: J H Harris and P B Wright.

Warke misses century milestone

By George Ace

Stephen Warke, 24 year old son of former international Dr Larry Warke, failed by one run to bedome the first Irishman to score a century against MCC at Ormeau, Belfast yeserday. He was leg before to Wilson on 99 after an innings lasting 227 minutes which included nine boundaries.

But Irish captain Dermot Monteith wrote his name in the record books by taking four wickets in MCC's first innings to bring his tally to 309 in international matches, two more than Jimmy Boucher's long-standing record.

Monteith, a left-arm spinner, who spent two seasons at Middlesex in 1981 and 82, had the remarkable figures of 33-21-35-4 and MCC were dismissed on Staruday for 236 with Brooks (60), and Haggas (52) putting on 107 for the third-wicket. After rain delayed the start by three hours yesterday Ireland pushed ahead to 312-7 declared, a first innings lead of 76. MCC were four without loss at the close.

Worcester change

Worcestershire's county championship game against Kent starting on June 27 has been switched from Hereford to Worcester. Hereford City Sports Club, who staged a championship match in each of the last three seasons, have had to give up the fixture because they are without a full time groundsman.

Sussex accelerate into overdrive

By Richard Streeton

HORSHAM: Sussex (4 pts) beat Northamptonshire by 71 runs.

A target of 237 proved too much for Northamptonshire in this John Player league match and Sussex gained an easy victory to reaffirm their current zest for one-day cricket. Capel fought hard to atone for failures by the early Northamptonshire batsmen, but Sussex won with 4.1 overs to spare.

After Wells sliced a catch to short third man, Greig and Parker punished the bowling with equal force. Parker's sixes were enormous straight drives, against Larkins and Capel, and each threatened the steeple of the ancient church adjoining this picturesque ground. Parker was caught at mid-off, and Greig was seventh out to a marvellous catch above his head by Bailey on the long on boundary.

Northamptonshire needed one of Larkins's more spectacular displays and he began as if he might provide it. Le Roux was hammered over extra cover for six but Larkins was then caught at mid-wicket. In his next over Colin Wells dismissed Williams and Bailey with successive balls. Cook kept the run rate within the required range but was leg before to Greig in the twenty-fifth over and Sussex were in control.

Each side lost three early wickets but there the similarities ended.

SUSSEX	
G D Mendis c Capel b Walker	2
†I J Gould b Walker	4
P W G Parker c Larkins b Capel	77
C M Wells b Walker	15
A P Wells c Cook b Capel	48
I A Greig c Bailey b Capel	43
G S le Roux c Bamber b Capel	9
C P Phillipson b Hanley	19
D A Reeve not out	14
*J R T Barclay not out	2
Extras (l-b 2)	2
Total (8 wkts, 40 overs)	236

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–7, 2–10, 3–33, 4–122, 5–166, 6–194, 7–204, 8–227.

C E Waller did not bat.

Bowling: Walker, 8–2–12–3; Griffiths, 6–0–23–0; Hanley, 8–0–49–1; Williams, 5–0–46–0; Larkins, 5–0–43–0; Capel 8–0–61–4.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE	
W Larkin, c Philip son b C M Wells	21
M J Bamber c Reeve b Waller	26
R G Williams c Mendis b C M Wells	0
M J Bailey l-b-w b C M Wells	0
*G Cook l-b-w by Greig	33
D J Wild b Barclay	12
†G Sharp b Reeve	4
A Walker c and b Reeve	7
R W Hanley run out	3
B J Griffiths b le Roux	0
Extras (l-b 5, w 1)	6
Total (35.5 overs)	165

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–30, 2–30, 3–32, 4–103, 5–105, 6–126, 7–141, 8–159, 9–165, 10–165.

BOWLING: C M Wells 8-2-22-3; le Roux, 5.5-0-33-1; Waller, 8-0-2-1; Greig, 5-0-26-1; Reeve, 6-1-28-2; Barclay, 8-0-22-1.

Umpires: J A Jameson and R Palmer.

Ellison is scourge of Gloucester

A potential match winning spell of four for 19 by Glamorgan's John Steele was all to no avail, when a downpour washed out the John Player match with Worcestershire 89 for seven off 25 overs, in a match reduced to 34 overs by earlier rain at New Road.

Acting captain John Hopkins put Worcestershire in on a damp pitch and the first interruption came at 24 for one off six overs. After a break of 35 minutes, Steele came on to torture the Worcestershire batsmen.

He removed Patel (20) and McEvoy (17) before Davis (one for 19) forced Smith to play on. Holmes removed D'Oliveira and Steele then capped a fine spell by having Humphries stumped and Inchmore caught at long on with his next delivery.

Richard Ellison's sparkling all-round form paved the way for Kents 13-run victory over Gloucestershire at Canterbury. Ellison hit 84 in 65 minutes, a career best in the competition with two sixes and eight fours as Kent reached 235 for six off 39 overs. Then he took four for 52.

Ellison figured in a stand of 83 in 13 overs with Derek Aslett (32) and then in a partnership of 53 off five overs with Knott (29 not out). Gloucestershire improved thanks to a fine third-wicket stand of 84 off 11 overs between Athey and Bainbridge (33). Then Ellison removed them both and Kent cruised home.

Despite a superb 110 from Terry, Hampshire lost to Nottinghamshire by five runs at Southampton. Left to get 236 after putting their opponents in, Hampshire managed 12 runs off their first seven overs but Terry and Trevor Jesty provided the acceleration with a second wicket partnership of 89 in 12 overs.

Jesty scored 42, 20 of them coming off one over from Cooper, before lofting Hemmings to mid-off. Hampshire remained in the hunt until Terry was run out at 211.

The main contributors for Notts were Rice and Birch. Rice, helped by two sixes and 11 fours, scored 87 off 72 balls, while Birch, with a six and five fours, made his 50 off 50 balls.

Lancashire and Surrey fough out a tense battle at Old Trafford, the southern county easing their way to a four wickets victory with only five balls to spare. Butcher, who has scored two centuries and 52 in his last three innings for Surrey, finished with a top score of 73.

OTHER JOHN PLAYER SCOREBOARDS

Kent v Gloucestershire

Kent bt Gloucestershire by 13 runs.

At Canterbury

KENT	
G W Johnson run out	18
L Potter c Sainsbury b Graveney	38
*C J Tavaré c Athey b Graveney	6
D G Aslett c Athey b Bainbridge	32
C S Cowdrey c Graveney b Bainbridge	15
R M Ellison c Graveney b Doughty	84
†A P E Knott not out	29
C Penn not out	0
Extras (l-b 10, w 3)	13
Total (6 wkts, 39 overs)	235

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–41, 2–72, 3–72, 4–93, 5–178, 6–232.

D L Underwood, T M Alderman and K B S Jarvis did not bat.

BOWLING: Shepherd, 8-0-45-0; Sainsbury, 7-0-31-0; Graveney, 8-1-35-2; Bainbridge, 8-0-31-2; Lawrence, 7-0-65-0; Doughty, 1-0-15-1.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE	
A W Stovold run out	29
C W J Athey b Ellison	79
Zaheer Abbas run out	12
P Bainbridge c Knott b Jarvis	32
P W Romaines b Ellison	18
J N Shepherd b Ellison	10
R J Doughty not out	21
*D A Graveney b Ellison	1
†R C Russell run out	9
D V Lawrence not out	1
Extras (l-b 5, n-b 3)	
Total (8 wkts, 39 overs)	222

G E Sainsbury did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–46, 2–66, 3–150, 4–171, 5–190, 6–191, 7–197, 8–219.

BOWLING: Jarvis, 8-0-42-1; Alderman, 8-0-38-0; Ellison, 8-0-52-4; Penn, 8-1-33-0; Underwood, 7-0-5-0.

Umpires: C Kook and M J Kitchen

HANTS v NOTTS

At Southampton

Nottinghamshire (4pts) beat Hampshire by five runs

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	
B C Broad c Parks B Connor	14
R T Robinson c Parks b Nicholas	32
*C E B Rice c Terry B Tremlett	87
J D Birch c Hardy b Reifer	54
R J Hadlee c Connor b Tremlett 35	35
P Johnson not out	6
B Hassan not out	1
Extras (b1, l-b 5)	6
Total(5 wkts 40 overs)	235

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–22, 2–2-77, 3–153, 4–222, 5–230.

†B N French; E E Hemmings, K Saxelby, and K E Cooper did not bat.

BOWLING: Connor, 8-0-46-1; Reifer, 8-0-47-1; Cowley, 8-0-45-0; Tremlett, 8-046-2; Nicholas, 8-0-44-1.

HAMPSHIRE	
V P Terry run out	110
C L Smith st French b Hemmings	30
T E Jesty c Hadlee v Hemmings	42
N G J Nicholas c Hemmings b Hadlee	11
E L Reifer run out	5
N G Cowley run out	1
J J E Hardy not out	10
T M Tremlett not out	6
Extras (l-b 14, w 1)	15
Total (6 wkts, 40 overs)	230

†B J Parks; R J Maur and C A Connor did not bat

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–73, 2–162, 3–187, 4–195, 5–203. BOWLING: Hadlee, 8-2-32-1; Cooper, 8-0-57-0; Rice, 8-0-42-0; Saxelby, 8-0-34-0; Hemmings, 8-0-50-2.

Umpires: W E Alley and D J Constant.

Derby v Middlesex

At Derby

Middlesex (4pts) beat Derbyshire by five wickets

DERBYSHIRE	
J G Wright c Barlow b Slack	6
K J Barnett c Barlow b Williams	5
A Hill b Emburey	43
J E Morris b Daniel	57
W P Fowler b Emburey	9
R J Finney not out	40
B Roberts l-b-w b Hughes	3
P G Newman b Emburey	4
C J Tunnicliffe not out	3
Extras (lb 4, w 2, nb 4)	10
Total (7 wkts, 30 overs)	180

†R W Taylor and O Mortensen did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–9, 2–19, 3–116, 4–116, 5–143, 6–149, 7–161

BOWLING: Daniel, 6-1-20 1; Williams, 6-0-25 1; Slack, 4-0-15 1; Edmonds, 4-0-35 0; Emburey, 6-0-32 3; Hughes, 4-0-43 1.

MIDDLESEX	
G D Barlow b Mortensen	5
C T Radley c Fowler b Roberts	40
*W N Slack b Finney	10
R O Butcher b Roberts	82
K P Tomlin not out	18
†P R Downton c sub b Newman	2
J E Embury not out	9
Extras (b 4, lb 7, w 4)	15
Total (5 wkts, 27.5 overs)	181

P H Edmonds, N F Williams, S P Hughes and W W Daniel did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–10, 2–23, 3–116, 4–155, 5–164.

BOWLING: Finney, 6-0-21-1; Mortensen, 6-0-24-1; Tunnicliffe, 4.4-0-49-0; Roberts, 6-0-26-2

Umpires: N T Plews and A G T Whitehead.

Lancs v Surrey

At Old Trafford

Surrey (4pts) beat Lancashire by four wickets

LANCASHIRE	
J A Ormrod c Monkhouse b Pocock 37	37
S J O'Shaughnessy b Pocock	25
*J Abrahams c and b Pocock	17
D P Hughes run out	3
M H Fairbrother c Howarth b Monkhouse	17
†C Maynard c Pocock b Monkhouse	22
J Simmons c Stewart b Monkhouse	6
S Jefferies c Thomas b Clarke	10
P J W Allott b Clarke	0
M Watkinson not out	9
D J Makinson b Clarke	2
Extras (l-b 4, w 1)	5
Total (38 overs)	153

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–59, 2–68, 3–88, 4–95, 5–125, 6–125, 7–137, 8–150, 9–151, 10–150.

BOWLING: Monkhouse, 6-0-33-3; Thomas, 8-0-39-0; Knight, 7-0-35-0; Pocock, 8-3-18-3; Clarke, 7-0-23-3.

SURREY	
A R Butcher c Hughes b Watkinson	73
G Howarth l-b-w b Allott	9
*R D V Knight c Maynard b Jefferies	4
M A Lynch c Jefferies b Simmons	38
A J Stewart c O'Shaughnessy b Allott	9
A Needham c Abrahams b Watkinson	0
†C J Richards not out	13
D Thomas not out	2
Extras (b 4, l-b 2, w 1)	8
Total (6 wkts, 35.1 overs)	154

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–11, 2–38, 3–81, 4–122, 5–124, 6–143.

BOWLING: Allott, 8-0-50-2; Jefferies, 8-0-27-1; Simmons, 8-2-15-1; Watkinson, 4.1-0-32-2; Makinson, 5-1-18-0; O'Shaughnessy, 2-0-6-0.

Umpires: K E Palmer and P Eele.

Worcs v Glamorgan

AT WORCESTER

Match abandoned: Worcestershire 2 pt, Glamorgan 2

WORCESTERSHIRE	
M S McEvoy c Jones b Steele	17
M J Weston c Hopkins b Thomas	4
D N Patel c Thomas b Steel	20
D B D'Oliveira c Davis b Holmes	8
D M Smith b Davis	8
*P A Neale not out	15
†D J Humphries st Davies b Steele	3
J D Inchmore c Jones b Steele	0
R Illingworth not out	0
Extras (b 4, l-b 8, w 3)	15
Total (7 wkts, 25 overs)	89

FALL OF WICKETS: 1–10, 2–47, 3–55, 4–59, 5–79, 6–86, 7–88.

BOWLING: Green, 3-0-13-0; Thomas, 4-0-12-1; Davis, 7-1-19-1; Steele, 8-0-19-4; Holmes, 3-0-10-1.

GLAMORGAN: A Hopkins, A L Jones, C J C Rowe, Younis Ahmed, S P Henderson, J F Steele, G C holmes, †T Davies, J G Thomas, W W Davis, R C Green.

Umpires: B Dudleston and A Jepson.

Captains galore

Adelaide (Reuter) – Thirty three former Test cricket captains from seven countries are to be invited here for the centenary of the Adelaide Oval in December, Richard Watson, secretary of the South Australian Cricket Association said yesterday.

Today's fixtures

GOLF

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP (at Formby G.C.)

TENNIS

GMC TOURNAMENT (at Manchester);
KENTISH TIMES TOURNAMENT (at Beckenham, 12.30).

CRICKET

West Indies have to take their medicine for an anodyne performance

By John Woodcock, Cricket Correspondent

After England's three wicket victory at Trent Bridge on Saturday, in the second of the three one-day internationals for the Texaco Trophy, comes the decider at Lords today. What could be better than that? The mighty West Indians playing an England side under their new captain on the best of all grounds. Given good weather and a fair wicket, it should be quite a day.

In the second game, as in the first at Old Trafford, the West Indian batsmen, with one exception, never got down to business. Immunity from defeat can be a dangerous anodyne, and for a long time now West Indies have hardly lost a match.

England bowled well again, and they fielded splendidly. The choice of Pringle as Man of the Match is a source of real encouragement. He took the wickets of Greenidge, Richardson and Gomes, caught Richards and Lloyd, the latter with a good running effort at long on, and made the winning hit with 13 balls to spare. The West Indians would have been glad to have him on their side.

West Indies recoverd this time from 75 for five, not to 272 for nine, as they had on Thursday, but to 179 all out, and that was due not to Richards but to Lloyd. As he quite often does these days, the West Indian captain took his side under his wing, once Richards, sweeping, had mis-hit Miller to short fine leg. With the start delayed by half an hour, the match had been reduced to 50 overs a side. The ground staff had worked hard since dawn, following a lot of heavy rain and we were much in their debt.

Gower, too, had a good day. He put West Indies in, which was courageous, and could be falted only once in the field. This was when Lloyd came in and Miller was allowed to bowl at him without a slip. Had there been one, Lloyd, who had still to score, would probably have been caught there, off a gentle edge from a forward push. Botham, on his own initiative I fancy, was, instead, occupying the esstially modern position of silly point. Right in the corner of the batsman's eye. He had gone there first for Richards, as a psychological ploy, and Gower let him do it again for Lloyd.

The first sign that Lloyd might make England pay dearly for this was when, almost immediately, he jumped out and drove Miller for six. Mostly, though, England gave nothing away. They know that to have any chance against West Indies they must do the basic things really well, which means bowling the right line and length, and this they did. Bairstow, too, was his usual irrepressible self, his throwing out of Marshall was a direct hit from an ungloved hand and was typical of him. There was no trouble from Holding this time, and at 3.25, in bright and windy weather, England went in needing to score at 3.6 runs an over to win.

The way they managed it was far from convincing. For some overs Fowler and Andy Lloyd hardly laid bat on ball. Garner and Holding were altogether too much for them, as they would have been for most batsmen. But Englands' opening pair rode their luck. As left handers, rather than right, they are more likely to play and miss at Garner and Holding and less likely to be leg before. That is a help, and by tea England, after 25 overs, had somehow or other got to 79 for one. Cricket at this level has so much to do with temperament that Lloyd's 49 was not inauspicious. By the time he was out he was, in fact, playing pretty well.

It was the more experienced batsmen who nearly threw the game away – not Gower and Botham. When Lloyd was out England had 77 to win with eight wickers in hand and 20 overs left. There was no need to rush. Yet they began to bat as if everything had to be hit for four. It was important, certainly, to make the most of Gomes's few overs, before Holding and Garner returned, but that could have been done by hitting him straight, rather than trying to contrive, as Lamb did, something fairly improbable off the back foot.

For days on end the late Ken Barrington used to try and drum into Gatting the need to play straight. They were great friends and foe on mutual respect. Yet in the four overs for which Gatting batted now he never once showed the bowler the full face of the bat. He got a miserable reception from the crowd, because through no fault of his own he had been preferred to Nottinghamshire's Randall, and he was obviously in no sort of form. At Lord's recently he went into the Indoor School and set the bowling machine at 80 miles an hour, to remind himself of what it is like to face fast bowling. But there is nothing to compare with the real thing.

When Gatting played on to Garner on Saturday, his bat all at an angle, England were 23 runs short with seven overs left. Gower had gone, unluckily I thought, and although Botham made victory almost certain he was out, caught off a skier at third man, having a quite unnecessary slog. In the end, even a no-ball from Holding, with only three runs needed, was greatfully received.

This final scramble was nothing if not disconcerting. But England won, that was the great thing, and they still have everything to play for. For today's match the selectors would probably like to bring in Randall for Gatting, but again that can be done only by leaving England without any sort of a sixth bowler, a chance better not taken.

With a second all-rounder in the party such as Ellison, this could have been avoided, as technically it still could by sending for him now. But there is no intention of that, and among the batsmen there is no one other than Gatting who even turns an arm over. An alternative to making a straight swap – Randall for Gatting – is to leave out one of the openers, probably Fowler, but after all the tribulations he and Lloyd survived on Saturday this would be a little hard.

It is not only time for Gatting to get some runs, but Botham too. Against West Indies, at home and away, in Tests and one-day internationals, Botham has played 29 innings for an average of 15 or there abouts. He has only twice reached 50. Against them he has always seemed to find it difficult to concentrate. But the doubts are not entirely one-sided. West Indies themselves must be wondering whether to make a batting change.

Scoreboard

WEST INDIES

C G Greenidge c Botham b Pringle	20
D L Haynes lbw b Willis	4
R B Richards c Gower b Pringle	10
I V A Richards c Pringle b Miller	3
H A Gomes b Pringle	15
*C H Lloyd c Pringle b Miller	52
†P J Dujon run out	21
M D Marshall run out	20
E A Baptiste lbw b Willis	19
M A Holding b Botham	0
J Garner not out	5
Extras (l-b7, n-b2)	9
Total (48.3 overs)	179

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-38, 3-39, 4-43, 5-75, 6-128, 7-148, 8-160, 9-161, 10-179.

BOWLING: Willis 9.3-0-26-2; Botham 9-1-33-1; Pringle 10-3-21-3; Miller 10-2-44-2; Foster 10-0-46-0.

ENGLAND

G Fowler b Baptiste	25
T A Lloyd c Dujon b Baptiste	49
*D I Gower lbw b Marshall	36
A J Lamb b Gomes	11
I T Botham c Gomes b Holding	15
M W Gatting b Garner	5
†D L Bairstow b Holding	9
G Miller not out	3
D R Pringle not out	2
Extras (b4, l-b14, n-b6)	24
Total for seven wkts (47.5 overs)	180

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-75, 2-103, 3-131, 4-145, 5-157, 6-173, 7-177.

N A Foster and R G D Willis did not bat

BOWLING: Garner 9-1-22-1; Holding 8.5-1-29-2; Marshall 10-1-30-1; Baptiste 10-2-31-2; Richards 5-0-23-0; Gomes 5-0-21-1.

Umpires: H D Bird and D Oslear

Dark Blues in majority

Oxford University provide the first seven batsmen and the slow left arm bowler, Mark Lawrence, in the Combined Universities side to play the West Indians at the Parks, on Thursday and Friday. The three Cambridge players are the wicket-keeper, Davies, the batsman, Andrew, and the opening bowler, Grimes.

A J T Miller, R M Edbrooke, G J Toogood, *K A Hayes, D A Thorne, R A Andrew, †A G Davies, M P Lawrence, A D H Grimes.

Today's cricket

Texaco Trophy (55 overs)
LORD'S: England v West Indies
County Championship (11.0)
DERBY: Derbyshire v Middlesex
SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Worcestershire
BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire v Nottinghamshire
CANTERBURY: Kent v Gloucestershire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Surrey
HINCKLEY: Leicestershire v Essex
HORSHAM: Sussex v Northamptonshire
MIDDLESBROUGH: Yorkshire v Somerset

W Indian influence

By Ivo Tennant

It is not just at international level that Caribbean cricketers are making their presence felt. The leaders of the county championship, Leicestershire, and the sides in second and third place, Kent and Essex, all suffered at the hands of former West Indian Test players on Saturday.

Roberts, still good enough, no doubt, to be in any other Test team, took four wickets as Essex were bundled out for 189. He has returned to county cricket to help out Leicestershire, whose progress in this match was held up only by Philip, the Dominican, who made 71, and then took an early wicket.

Kent, still without Benson and Cowdrey, were scuppered by Gloucestershire's Shepherd, that most popular and consistent of cricketers. His old county were held together only by Johnson, who yet again is proving what an adaptable batsman he is.

Elsewhere, two Sussex men, Mendis and Colin Wells, made centuries against Northamptonshire. Another who is on the periphery of selection for England, Patel, made 153 for Worcestershire against Glamorgan. Love reached three figures for Yorkshire off the Somerset attack.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

DERBY: Middlesex 274 (W N Slack 93, P R Downton 88; P G Newman for 78), Derbyshire 51 for 4.
SWANSEA: Worcestershire 358 for 16 (D N Patel 153, M J Weston 80, D B D'Oliveira 51); v Glamorgan.
BOURNEMOUTH: Hampshire 303 (T M Tremlett 74, V P Terry 54); v Nottinghamshire.
CANTERBURY: Kent 175 (J N Shepherd 4 for 39) Gloucestershire 31 for 2.
OLD TRAFFORD: Surrey 221 (R D V Knight 60, A R Butcher 52; J Simmons five for 71); Lancashire five for no wkt.
HINCKLEY: Essex 189 (N Phillip 71; A M E Roberts 4 for 23); Leicestershire 108 for 3.
HORSHAM: Sussex 358 for 4 dec (C M Wells 127 not out, G D Mendis 107, P W G Parker 76); Northampton 11 for 1.
MIDDLESBROUGH: Yorkshire 309 (J D Love 112); v Somerset.

FOOTBALL

Dasayev is hands, head and shoulders above Barnes in an aerial challenge, with Baltacha providing the back-ups (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

England weary from prolonged attack on domestic front

By Stuart Jones
Football Correspondent

England 0
Soviet Union 2

A hush fell in the interview room tucked deep inside Wembley Stadium. England's manager was about to announce his squad for the forthcoming tour of South America. "Blokhin, Chivadze and I'll take the little Number 8 (Oganesyan). . . ." Bobby Robson's voice was drowned in the wave of laughter. Jokes are always welcome and never more so than now.

These are dark days for England. Within the last year the list of embarrassments have included two draws in Australia, two home defeats by Denmark and the Soviet Union and two away defeats in France and Wales. After failing to reach the European Championship finals, England might have been left with the wooden spoon as a lasting memory of the British Championship.

If all that was not enough, a fearsome fate awaits Robson and his group of inexperienced and inadequate individuals who are to fly off on Wednesday evening. The golden Brazilians, even though mercifully they will also be depleted, Uruguay, and Chile are likely to wipe away any smiles that remain even on faces creased with optimism.

The spectators among the sparse crowd who called for Robson's resignation are deluding themselves. Although their frustration is understandable, no one could prepare properly or select an appreciably stronger side under circumstances that are shamefully absurd. If the decline is to be arrested, is is the domestic system and not the manager that must be changed and the sooner the better.

Robson's choices are all suffering from the stressed of a season that is unacceptably long and busy. Those that have avoided damaging their overworked limbs and muscles are handicapped by physical and mental fatigue. On Saturday afternoon Barnes, in particular, Duxbury, Wilkins and Bryan Robson looked as lively as tortoises under sedation.

Even the manager of the Soviet Union, Eduard Malofeyev, dropped his heavy cloak of diplomacy to add his own support to the view. "English football is usually so dynamic," he said through an interpreter. "But that wasn't evident today. The build up was far too slow and there was a general lack of sharpness. That was your main deficiency."

It was not the only one. The holes in the defence, confused by the Soviets' unconventional formation of two wingers and no recognised central strikers, were closed on at least three occasions by the unprotected Shilton, once by a post and once by the referee's decision. The midfield lay submerged under a red blanket.

The contributions of Francis and Barnes were neglible and the standard of crosses could scarcely have been poorer. Until Hately became the 26th newcomer to be introduced by Robson, Dasayev's peacefully day was disturbed only by one effort from Blissett, who confirmed his recent promise, and another from Chamberlain, who showed notable improvement.

Although the Soviet Union owed their first victory here to two second half goals from two substitues, Gutsanov and Protasov, they had by far the outsanding individual in Chivadze, a libero recalling echos of Beckenbauer, as well as an undisputable collective superiority. At the back lay their hammer, at the front their sickle.

Robson knows that he cannot afford to use both of his inconsistent wingers. He is aware, too, that his novices (nine of the party have gained fewer than 10 caps and five other have none) must learn rapidly in South America. If England return in a fortnight with anything more than three defeats, they will have surpassed expectations.

ENGLAND: P Shilton; M Duxbury, K Sansom, R Wilkins, G Roberts, T Fenwick, M Chamberlain, B Robson, T Francis (sub: M Hateley), L Blissett, J Barnes (sub: S Hunt).
SOVIET UNION: R Dasayev; T Sulakvelidze, A Chivadze, S Baltacha, A Demyanenko, S Oleinikov (sub: B Pozdnyakov), G Litovchenko, K Oganesyan, A Zygmantovich (sub: S Gutsanov), S Rodionov (sub: O Protasov), O Blokhin.
Referee: M Vautrot (France)
SQUAD: (England in South America): P Shilton; M Duxbury, K Sansom, R Wilkins, G Roberts, T Fenwick, M Chamberlain, B Robson, J Barnes, G Stevens, C Woods, D Watson, S Hunt, M Hateley, C Allen, S Stainrod, S Lee, A Kennedy, D Armstrong, A, Woodcock.

Rangers' expensive tour

Rangers' tour of Australia is turning out to be expensive for the Scottish club in terms of playing staff. On Saturday Rangers lost a second player with a broken leg when defender, Colin McAdam, suffered a double fracture in the 3-2 defeat by Australia at the Sydney Cricket Ground.

McAdam suffered the break in the second half of the match, 16 minutes after going on as a replacement. Last week Rangers lost Williamson when he also broke a leg in an accident at the team's hotel in Brisbane.

● Jock Stein yesterday saluted "Europe's best" after a ragged Scotland side had been handed a lesson they will not forget in Marseilles on Friday.

A 2-0 defeat by the European Championship hosts and favourites merely scratched the surface of the true story behind one of Scotland's most comprehensive defeat for several years.

The Scots manager's glowing tribute aimed in the direction of France failed to mask the obvious deficiencies in his team as they perpared to embark of another World cup campaign in October. It could be said that Scotland were awful whereas Stein felt that the quality of the opposition had left his side looking disorientated.

Stein's attempt to flood the midfield with five players and leave three men at the back penalty failed to work but he was close to the mark when he said "it's easy to fault our performance – but the sheer excellence of the opposition had a lot to do with that.

"France have simply got better and better since the last World Cup and I doubt if there is a side to touch them in Europe just now. West Germany, for instance, havent got the players of the same quality at the moment."

Scotland, who fell to first half goals by the immenely talented and perceptive Giresse and Lacombe, have 90 minutes against Yugoslavia in September to put their house in order for the World Cup qualifier.

Allan Harris (above) is to tem up with Terry Venebales at Barcelona after officially resigning at Queen's Park Rangers on Saturday. Harris, Venables assistant at Loftus Road, will take up a similar position in Spain he said: "Obviously it's a terrific offer. Iv'e always been with Terry since I was a kid and we've enjoyed a successful partnership. I'm a little sad to be leaving Rangers after four wonderful years

RUGBY LEAGUE

Holding and Hanley show their paces

Newcastle 18
Great Britain 28

Newcastle, New South Wales (Reuter) – Great Britain go into the first international against Australia next weekend unbeaten in six tour games after defeating the country champions in dashing style on Saturday. They scored five tries to Newcastle's two.

There could have been more but for a referee who awarded a total of 32 penalties, 20 against the British.

Neil Holding was in superb form and constantly troubled Newcastle with his acceleration, scoring a second half try after setting one up for Terry Flanagan in the twenty-second minute. Other tourists who caught the eye were the centre, Ellery Hanley, who scored a 90-metre try, the newly-arrived winger, John Basnett and Harry Pinner. Hanley and Holding may have earned places in the international team.

But Frank Myler refused to divulge the composition of his team when pressed on its likely make-up. "It was a nothing game for me, the public were cheated. but some of the indiviual performances helped me a lot test-wise, he said.

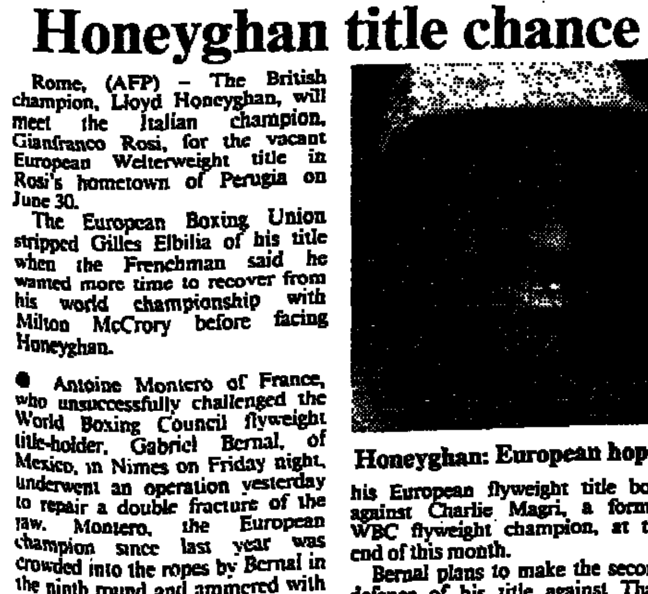
Hanley showed his pace with his 90-meter effort from a scrum won near his own try-line four minutes before halftime. He rode a tackle and then eluded another in a sprint down the sideline to score. Holding who arrived in Australia as the acknowledged third-string half back behind Andy Gregory and Ray Ashton, set the 10,000 crowd cheering in the fifty-forth minute when he slipped the defence and toed on in a 70-metre pursuit.

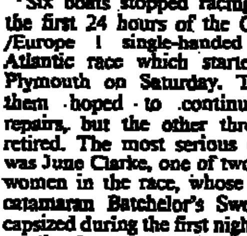
GREAT BRITAIN: M Burke; G Clark, E Hanley, M Smith, J Basnett; G Schofield, N Holding; T Flanagan, M Worrall, D Hobbs, L Crooks, B Noble (captain), M O'Neill. Replacements: J Lydon, J Joyner, H Pinner, W Proctor.

NEWCASTLE: N Elwyn; M Bates, K Connor, C Dedman, G Murray; G Eagar, C Higgins; G Martine (captain), M Pitman, M Graham, Jo Farrar, R Wright, Milton Burrows. Replacements: T Taylor, P Garbutt.

BOXING

Honeyghan title chance





Honeyghan: European hope

Rome, (AFP) – The British champion, Lloyd Honeyghan, will meet the Italian champion, Gianfranco Rosi, for the vacant European Welterweight title in Rosi's hometown of Perugia on June 30.

The European Boxing Union stripped Gilles Elbilia of his title when the Frenchman said he wanted more time to recover from his world championship with Milton McCrory before facing Honeyghan.

● Antoine Montero of France, who unsuccessfully challenged the World Boxing Council flyweight title-holder, Gabriel Bernal, of Mexico, in Nimes on Friday night, underwent an operation yesterday to repair a double fracture of the jaw. Montero, the European champion since last year was crowded into the ropes by Bernal in the ninth round and ammered with uppercuts in the 10th. The referee stopped the bout in the 11th.

The injury puts into serious doubt Montero's planned defence of his European flyweight title bout against Charlie Magri, a former WBC flyweight champion, at the end of this month.

Bernal plans to make the second defence of his title against Thailand's Sot Chilada in Bangkok, either at the end of this month or in July.

Irish head into trouble

Ireland's amateurs wore headgear, amid protests, when they took on an ABA team in Belfast on Friday night. Brian Smith, manager of the ABA squad, had not expected the fixture to be boxed under conditions soon to be used at the Los Angeles Olympic Games and said so emphatically. He agreed to compromise in the end, but there were delays between contests.

The ABA won 5-2, their best win coming from the bantamweight, Sean Murphy, who stopped Chris Carlton in the first round.

RESULTS (ABA names first): Bantamweight: S Murphy (St Albans) beat C Carlton (Oliver Plunkett), 1st round. J Kelly (Holycross) beat R Nash (Londonderry), pts. Light: B Roche (Backup Lads) beat M Culbert (Holy Family), 3rd. Light-welter: J. Smith (Liverpool) beat W McClean (Holy Family), pts. Welter: C Blake (Fitzroy Lodge) lost to K Joyce (Cork), pts. Light-middle: M Ess (Hull Fish Trades) lost to S Storey (Holy Family), 2nd. Middle: D McCarthy (St Pancras) beat J McGrenaghan (Cairn Lodge), pts. Match result: ABA 5, Ireland 2.

Women's landmark

Debbie Hockley (Christchurch) chosen as captain of the New Zealand womens' cricket team, for the series against England, is, at 21, the youngest international captain in the 50-year history of women's Test cricket.

YACHTING

Casualties as Morvan sails clear

By John Nicholls

Six boats stopped racing within the first 24 hours of the Observer /Europe 1 single-handed Trans-Atlantic race which started from Plymouth on Saturday. Three of them hoped to continue after repairs, but the other three have retired. The most serious casualty was June Clarke, one of two British women in the race, whose 40 foot catamaran Batchelor's Sweet Pea, capsized during the first night.

Miss Clark, a yachting journalist, aged 33, and an experienced yachtswoman, was brought ashore suffering from shock but is now recovered. She completed the course in the 1982 round Britsin race, though that was in a monohull, not her newly acquired multihull.

Out in front of the 86 boats still racing is the Frenchman Patrick Morvan in his 60ft catamaran Jet Services. This position fulfills his own and many other predictions, for there are few comparable boats or skippers in the race, the combination have completed six previous trans-Atlantic crossings, last only a few weeks ago when they set a new record (west to east) of just under nine days.

Going the opposite is always slower because of headwinds and Morvan is hoping to reach Newport, Rhode Island after 15 days. He covered 180 miles in his first day's sailing.

● Daufuskie Island, South Carolina (AP) – The mast on a sailboat struck a power line dangling over a creek, killing three people and injuring five

EQUESTRIANISM

Team places depend on Aachen showing

By Jenny MacArthur

Jennie Loriston-Clarke, on Dutch Courage, and Christopher Bartle, on Wily Trout, who finished first and second respectively in the Grand Prix Special at yesterday's Goodwood International Dressage Championship, sponsored by Inchcape, are in the Olympic dressage team, announced yesterday.

Jane Wilson, Bartle's older sister, with Pinocchio, and Sarah Whitmore with Dutchman, make up the four for Los Angeles, but they gave disappointing performances at Goodwood, and their places in the team are conditional upon their performance at the Aachen international show in West Germany in three week's time. Dutchman's test yesterday was a little tense, and included several lapses of concentration.

Tanya Larrigan, whose fine test on Salute, aged 16, yesterday and in Saturday's Grand Prix, was thought by many to have clinched her place on the team, is only reserve, along with Gilda, ridden by Fay Crouch, aged 26, and Diana Mason, with the Prince Consort, aged eight.

Miss Whitmore's inclusion in the team, rather than Miss Larrigan's, was attributed by the selectors to her more consistent record in selection trials. Miss Larrigan admittedly did not shine in the first trial at Stoneleigh in March, but as she missed the next one at Addington because of an injured hand, and at this final one has put up an above-average performance, the reasoning is curious.

Pinocchio's temperamental performances here – he blew up in the intermediaire II class on friday, but redeemed himself to some extent in the Grand Prix – gave the selectors a problem they could well have done without. It would be a poor team that did not include the bright-eyed little horse who, on his day, is capable of an outstanding test, but, as Miss Mason, the *chef d'equipe* said: "If the same thing happened at Los Angeles as happened here, it would be hopeless."

At Aachen, Mrs Wilson and Miss Whitmore will not have the benefit of a warm-up class as they had at Goodwood but will be asked to go straight into the Grand Prix, as they will have to do at Los Angeles. Prince Consort and Dutch Courage will make up the Aachen tea. The latter gave a beautifully light and balanced test yesterday which, together with Bartle's consistent performances on Wily Trout, gave at least some cause for optimism at Los Angeles.

GRAND PRIX SPECIAL: 1, Dutch Courage (J Loriston-Clarke) 1323pts. 2, Wily Trout (C Bartle) 1277; 3, Maple Zenith (D Hunt) 1216. 4, Salute (T Larrigan) 121. Grand Prix: 1, Dutch Courage (J Loriston-Clarke) 1580; 2, Wily Trout (C Bartle) 1534; 3, Balzac (D de Pauw, Bel) 1478. 4, Pinocchio (J Wilson) 1475.
TEAM FOR LOS ANGELES: Dutch Courage, Wily Trout, Pinocchio (conditional), Dutchman (conditional)

Pacemaker Walker

By Special Correspondent

Richard Walker, riding Mrs Sandra Birchall's eight year-old Globtrotter, flew to victory at the Bramham Horse Trials yesterday after a copybook performance. He led from the dressage phase, went clear across country with only 5.2 time penalties and had a faultless show jumping round to win decisively with 57.4 points.

This must be a strong combination for the future, and the time which Walker has taken to bring this handsome big horse on carefully is already paying off. Ginny Strawson, on her Sparrowhawk, finished 11.40 points behind him, and Marjorie Comerford came an encouraging third with Cheal Sport, competing in his first three day event after recovering from a schooling accident.

Captain Mark Phillips fell at the fifth steeplechase fence on Tawny Pipit, and withdrew after completing both that and the roads and track phase.

Ian Stark, from Scotland, withdrew Good News at the end of the roads and tracks, but pocketed the Fox section in fine style on the plucky Charlie Brown IV by a large margin from Chris Humble on Lucky Hit.

Jonquil Sainsbury, who lay first and second at the end of the cross-country on Hassan and Zeus, dropped to third and fourth places after show jumping errors, leaving the dressage leader Tanya Longson on Pink Fizz to win the British Young Riders' championship with Rachel Hunt in second place on Friday Fox.

CCA SECTION: 1, Globetrotter (R Walker) 57.4pts, 2, Sparrowhawk (G Strawson) 68.8, 3, Cheal Sport (M Comerford) 84.
FOX SECTION: 1, Charlie Brown IV (I Stark) 47.25, 2, Lucky Hit (C Hunnable) 77.81, 3, Eagle (L Henson) 93.01.
BRITISH YOUNG RIDER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, Pink Fizz (T Longson) 58.6, 2, Friday Fox (R Hunt) 60, 3, Hassan (J Sainsbury) 61.4.

● Gillima Green wood, 17, and Ski Fly, last to jump in a five horse final, won the Radion Rentals grand prix at the Royal Bath and West show on Saturday by nearly two seconds (a Special Correspondent writes). This was the partnership's third win of the show, bringing them prize money of £2,170 and, in addition, it made Miss Greenwood leading lady rider, with a prize of £500. The leading gentleman's title went to Iain Morgan from Scotland, the current junior European champion.

RADIO RENTALS GRAND PRIX: 1, Sky Fly (G Greenwood); 2, Dun Topper (U Morgan); 3, Spot On (P Whitaker).
POWER AND SPEED: 1, Pinster (J Brown); 2, Dun Calm (T Price), 3; MaGuire Esq (T Newbery).

GOLF

Parkin must pass examination

By Mitchell Platts

Phillip Parkin will be attempting to become the sixth player in the 99-year history of the Amateur Championship to retain the title when he tees off at 7.30 this morning on the Southport and Ainsdale course. Parkin won the title 12 months ago when he beat Jim Holtgrieve, of the United States, 5 and 4.

Parkin's initial concern is to pass the 36-hole qualifying examination, which was introduced for the first time last year. The Welshman, recently returned from Texas A and M University, will play his second round tomorrow at Formby where the championship will continue from Wednesday with 64 players qualifying for the matchplay stage.

The championship has been won for the last four years by European players. Duncan Evans (1980) and Martin Thompson (1982) won for Britain whereas Philippe Ploujoux, of France, became the first successful player from the Continent in 1981.

There are many youngsters in the draw of outstanding quality. Peter Baker, aged 16, who won the Carris Trophy by a record seven strokes last year, is one worth watching. John Hawksworth (Lytham Trophy), and Mark Davis (Brabazon) arrived inspired by their early season successes and Peter McEvoy, winner in 1977 and 1978, attempts to win the title for a third time.

St Rule is made for American

By Lewine Mair

Glenna Collett Vare, who in 1929 lost to the legendary Joyce Wethered in the final of the British women's championship at St Andrew's, was at the prize-giving on Saturday to see Penny Hammel receive the inaugural St Rule Trophy for rounds of 77 and 72 over St Andrew's Old Course.

It was a little ironic that this exquisite new trophy for the amateur game – a solid silver replica of the St Rule Tower presented to the women of the St Rule Club by the R & A – should have been won by a player who makes no secret of the fact that she will be turning professional directly after this week's Curtis Cup at Muirfield.

Piquantly, the runner-up was Wilma Aitken, one of three Scots who were given places in the British Curtis Cup squad but not in the team itself. In pulling up ahead of the other seven American Curtis Cup players and an assortment of top Australians and Europeans,

Though much has been said about this American Curtis Cup side being relatively inexperienced, Phyllis Preuss, the non-playing captain, made it clear that even her youngest players had been "well seasoned" in college golf.

LEADING FINAL SCORES (British unless stated): 149: P Hammel (US), 77, 72. 152: W Aitken, 81, 71. 153: A Sander (US), 78, 75. 154: J Pacillo (US), 81, 73; M Widman (US), 76, 78; E Hunter, 80, 74. 155: E Kennedy (Aust), 78, 77. 156: A Bonallack, 78, 78.

Norman leads by seven

Bethesda, Maryland (Reuter) – Greg Norman, of Australia, held a seven-stroke lead over the American John Mahaffey, after the third round of the Kemper open tournament on Saturday.

Norman, who is seeking his first win on the American tour, scored a 71, on a day of swirling winds, for a total of 207.

LEADING SCORES (US unless stated): 207: G Norman (Aus), 68, 68, 71. 214: J Mahaffey, 73, 71, 70. 215: S Hoch, 73, 72, 70, G Morgan, 72, 70, 73, S Simpson, 70, 72, 73. 216: M O'Meara, 73, 71, 72, P Jacobsen, 71, 72, 73, J Simons, 71, 73, 72, J Thorpe, 70, 72, 74, R Landrum, 70, 73, 73. 217: B Faxon, 72, 68, 77, M Donald, 72, 73, 72, R Cochran, 76, 68, 73, I Ten Broeck, 74, 71, 72, M Reid, 72, 71, 74, G Sauers, 72, 71, 74.

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OLYMPIC GAMES

Alternative for USSR and other nations

Moscow (Reuter) – International games for Athletes from countries boycotting the Los Angeles Olympic Games will be held in the Soviet Union and eight other Communist capitals in August, the Soviet News Agency *Tass* reported yesterday. The agency was issuing details from the state sports committee on events worked out by Soviet bloc sports chiefs at a meeting in Prague last month. Thirteen Soviet allies have joined Moscow's boycott of the Los Angeles Gaes, starting on July 28.

Tass repeated earlier, Soviet denials that the east bloc games would constitute an alternative to the Olympics. They would take place in late August.

The events would be open to Non-Soviet bloc athletes and foreign empires and officials from the International Olympic committee, international sports associations and other organizations would be invited, *Tass* added. Men's athletics, basketball, rowing, swimming, track cycling, point and trap shooting and field hockey will be held at the Moscow sites of the 1980 Olympics.

GYMNASTICS

Encouraging form from British trio

By Peter Aykroyd

Three leading British gymnasts struck encouraging form on Saturday in their preparation for the Olympic Games. At Cranford Jacqueline Leavy and Lorraine Priest, Britain's two Olympic representatives in modern rhythmic gymnasitcs, achieved their best scores yet at international level against a strong French junior team.

At Harrow, Barry Winch, the British No 2, won the national pairs championship, sponsored by Speedo, with a spirited display of skill. He was confidently partnered by Menna Samuel, a promising young Welsh gymnast. The competition, which featured pairs of leading men and women, was nearly taken by Andrew Morris, the British champion, and Andrea Bridgford, a junior international. However, the two finished sixth when Morris was penalized for using extra crashmats to cushion his new triple somersault dismount from the horizontal bar.

NATIONAL PAIRS: 1, M Samuel and B Winch 74.50 pts; 2, K Kennedy and E van Hoof 74 10; 3, J McCarthy and D Simpson 73.40.

MOTOR RACING

Prost takes the red flag as Monaco roads are turned to rivers

From John Blunsden
Monaco

A nailbiting finish to the wettest Monaco Grand Prix on record was cut short yesterday when the race organizers decided that the track conditions had become too dangerous for the race to continue. With only 31 of the scheduled 77 laps completed, the red flag came out to halt the race and give Alain Prost and Marlboro Mclaren-TAG a victory which he had thought he was about to hand to Ayton Senna, who had been remorselessly closing the gap behind him in his Toleman-Hart at the rate of over five seconds a lap. The two cars finished 7.4sec apart.

The race had been wet all the way, and it was only allowed to start after the road through the long tunnel was sprayed with water in order to make the track conditions reasonably constant throughout the two miles lap. But a downpour after an hour of racing sent rivers of water across the track, and by this time only nine of the originally 20 starters were still running.

Third place was taken by Stefan Bellof, for whom the conditions cancelled out the power deficiency of his Tyrell-Ford (the only non-turbo in the race), and to whom should go the prize for the most audacious overtaking manoeuvre in the race, when he passed Rene Arnoux's Ferrari on the inside through the Mirabeau bend. Keke Rosberg tamed his Williams-Honda's skittishness to take a worthy fifth place after a hard drive, and Elio De Angelis gave the JPS Lotus team something of a consolation prize by taking sixth place, but the shortness of the race means that only half the usual world championship points have been awarded.

At one stage it looked as though Nigel Mansell would be a run away runner, having taken the lead from Prost, whom he had followed from


Prost: finish just in time

the start, on lap 11. But five laps later he went wide at the top of the hill leading towards the Casino, got on to a white road marking, lost grip and swiped a barrier with the right rear wheel of his JPS Lotus. A few seconds later Prost was ahead again and Mansell, his rear suspension and steering damaged, spun to a stop as he tried to get his car back to the pits.

The race started badly with another multi-car collision at the first corner, in which both Renaults were eliminated. Derek Warwick was able to walk back to the pits, but Patrick Tambay, limping badly, was put on a stretcher and taken to hospital with a suspected fractured bone in his left leg, which may keep him out of the cockpit for three or four weeks.

Niki Lauda made an impressive fight up through the field from eighth place on the grid to run third after six laps and in second place following Mansell's retirement, but on lap 24 he spun to a halt in the Casino square and abandoned his car. Once again Nelson Piquet had wretched luck, stalling on the line, getting away last and retiring after only 14 laps while his Brabham-BMW team colleague Corrado Fabi spun his car at the corner leading towards the tunnel and was unable to get it restarted.

For Prost, who has extended his lead in the championship to 10½ points over Lauda, the flag came out just in time. While for Senna, his performance in only his fifth grand prix marks him as a potential champion well capable of following in the wheel tracks of his Brazilian fellow countrymen Emerson Fittipaldi and Nelson Piquet.

It was a race which brought out many examples of car control of the highest order, as well as a number of small slips which cost dear those who made them. But rarely has a grand prix taken place in such uncomfortable conditions. Afterwards Nigel Mansell said it all: "I've never driven before in such diabolical conditions. But at least I've lead my first grand prix, and you can be sure it won't be my last."

FINAL PLACINGS: 1, A Prost (France) (McLaren-TAG), 31 laps, 1hr 1min 7.740sec (62.62 mph); 2, A Senna (Brazil) (Toleman-Hart), 1:1:15.186; 3, S Bellof (Germany) (Tyrrell-Ford), 1:1:28.881; 4, R Arnoux (France) (Ferrari), 1:1:36.817; 5, K Rosberg (Finland) (Williams-Honda), 1:1:42.988; 6, E De Angelis (Italy) (JPS Lotus-Renault), 1:1:52.178; 7, M Alboreto (Italy) (Ferrari), 30 laps; 8, P Ghinzani (Italy) (Osella-Alfa Romeo), 30 laps; 9, J Laffite (France) (Williams-Honda), 30 laps.

DRIVERS CHAMPIONSHIP: 1, Prost 28½ pts; 2, Lauda 18; 3, Arnoux 14½; 4, Warwick 13; 5, De Angelis 12½; 6, Rosberg 11; 7, Alboreto 9; 8, Tambay 7; 9, Bellof 5; 10, Mansell and Senna 4; 12, Cheever and Patrese 3; 14, Brundle and De Cesaris 2; 16, Boutsen 1.

CONSTRUCTORS CHAMPIONSHIP: 1 McLaren-TAG 46½; 2, Ferrari 23½; 3, Renault 20; 4, Lotus-Renault 16½; 5, Williams-Honda 11; 6, Tyrrell-Ford 7; 7, Alfa-Romeo 6; 8, Toleman-Hart 4; 9, Ligier-Renault 2; 10, Arrows-Ford 1.

● John Nielsen, underwent a spleen operation on Saturday night after crashing late in the afternoon in the Formula 3 race at Monaco. Doctors had diagnosed several fractures of his pelvis and a hematoma of the spleen.

CYCLING

Hill climb tests the Russians

By John Wilcockson

By all appearances the Soviet team are in complete control of the Milk Race at the end of a weekend which gave them three more stage wins. Yuri Kashirin, Alexander Zinoviev and Vassily Gedanov accepted their success with seeming indifference. Whether they can help Oleg Czougeda to retain his yellow jersy of leadership until the finish in Blackpool next Saturday is another matter.

Yesterday morning, fifteen miles into the half stage from Congleton to Sadiacre, the 60 suvivors faced a two-mile climb in the Peak district. Sweden's Stefa Brykt led and seven others joined him over the windswept summit, but the two best Russians, Czougeda and Sergei Zmierskov were not among them. It took them a few miles of frantic chasing to retrieve the situation, but they may not get similar chances on some of the five remaining stages that have steep obstacles.

Although Zinoviev was first into Sandiacre, the future may not be as rosy as expected for the riders in red. They were more at home in the afternoon's twelve lap, thirty four mile circuit race at Sandiacre. A crowd of 20,000 saw the Russians apply the pressure from the start, and only the strongest could follow. Before half distance, the decisive move was made by Gedanov, who was penalized 30 seconds on Saturday for obstruction after a previous warning for fighting. Yesterday he required only his raw strength to dispose of Phil Bayton, the British professional. Czougeda made a last lap attack to gain a further six seconds on second-placed Brykt. But he had to concede third place, and its 10 seconds time bonus, to Gary Thomson of Ireland.

STAGE 6 (Wrexham to Stoke on Trent 108 miles): 1 Y Kashirin (USSR), 4hr 21min 38sec; 2, G Thomson (Ireland) same time; 3, V Gendanov (USSR), at 7sec. 4 P Jonson (Sweden); 5, L Lesniewski (Poland); 6, C Henn (W Germany); 7, A Gornall (GB Amateur), all same time; 8 A Nuy (Netherlands), at 23sec; 9 M Elliott (GB professional) at 4.02; 10, Z Jaskula (Poland) same time.
STAGE 7 (Congleton to Sandiacre 67 miles): 1 A Zinoviev (USSR) 2hr 33min 50sec; 2 W Stauff (W Germany), same time; 3, O Czougeda (USSR), at 50sec; 4 D Zalwzewski (Poland); 5, J Jolidon (Switzerland); 6, Elliott; 7, M Walsham (Young England); 8, J Van Wijk (Netherlands), 9, M Klasa (Czeckoslovakia) all same time.
STAGE 7B: (Sandiacre Circuit Race, 34 miles): 1, Gedanov 1hr. 20min. 32sec.; 2, P Bayton (GB Professional), at 56secs; 3, Thomson at 1:13; 4, Kashirin, 5, Czougeda, 6, J Travnicek (Czechoslovakia) all same time; 7, Jonak at 1min 19sec; 8, Elliott, 9, Kalesa, 10, Jolidon all same time.
OVERALL POSITIONS: 1, Czougeda 27hr 48min 24sec, 2, S Brykt (Sweden) at 50sec; 3, K Nilsson (Sweden) at 1:34; 4, N Martin (GB Amateurs) at 1 36, 5, P Hilser (W Germany) at 1.45, 6, Travnicek, at 2:18; 7, S Zmierskov (USSR) at 2:19; 8, Van Wijk at 2:25; 9, Elliott at 3 16, 10, Gedanov at 4.16.

REAL TENNIS

A first for Davies

By William Stephens

Wayne Davies defeated the World champion Christopher Ronaldson, for the first time in winning the World Tournament, sponsored by George Wimpey, by 6-4, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2 at Sea Court, Hayling Island, yesterday. This result enhances interest in Davies's second challenge for the world title in March, his first attempt last year having been marred by back injury.

Davies, an Australian, is a professional with the New York Racquet and Tennis Club and has sharpened his game considerably, practising with Jimmy Burke, recently appointed his deputy. Burke, then Philadelphia professional, lost the world championship final eliminator in 1979

In the third set Ronaldson, having only scored five dedans, began to firce successfully, registering 13 in the match to Davies's seven; Davies however forced the grille 18 times, almost all backhand, to Ronaldson's four. Davies found the winning gallery five times, Ronaldson once. But Davies's exploitation of the optical problems posed by balls delicately placed around the foot of the Tambour was masterly.

RESULTS: Singles: Semi-finals: W F Davies beat L Deuchar 6-1, 6-2, 6-2. Final: Davies bt C J Ronaldson 6-4, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2. Doubles final: Ronaldson ad B Toates bt Davies and Deuchar 6-5, 6-5, 5-6, 6-4. Third place play-off: C J Lumley and P Tadley bt D C Johnson and G J Parson 6-4, 6-5, 6-2.

GOLF

Once again Jersey suits Gallacher

By Mitchell Platts

Bernard Gallacher might be awarded the freedom of Jersey by the time his career is over. The Scot emphasised his liking for the Channel island when he won the Jersey Open on the La Moye course yesterday.

Gallacher, without a win since he took this title in 1982, was squeezed into second place 12 months ago. This time, however, he made no mistake by putting together a 69 for a winning aggregate of 274, which is 14 under par.

He won with two strokes to spare from Sandy Lyle, 67, while Michael King was one stroke further back after his 70. Howard Clark's hopes of a third win in six weeks evaporated in spite of a good start and he finished with a 74 to share fifth place.

Gallacher, after holing from 15 feet and 10 feet for birdies at the first and fifth, initially found himself in combat with the ebullient Clark. For Clark, in spite of dropping a shot at the first, was counter-attacking confidently.

At the fourth he struck a six-iron to 12 feet for a birdie. At the long sixth, he missed the green, but chipped to within three feet for another. And at the seventh, he deposited a nine-iron approach 10 feet from the hole, and confidently nursed home the putt for a third birdie.


Gallacher: held off Lyle

It was electrifying stuff for the gallery. Clark, however, had reason to resent one of the spectators, when he suffered a telling three-stroke swing at the ninth. After pulling his drive, an amateur cameraman clicked on his first putt and the Yorkshireman eventually marked a six on his card.

Gallacher, having been only one in front of Clark, holed from six feet for a birdie to sweep four strokes ahead. Now, Lyle, who had achieved four birdies in his first six holes, became the main threat.

A 15-yard putt for a two at the first had set Lyle on his way. Then, between making fours at the long second and sixth holes, he drilled a marvellous five-iron to one foot at the fourth.

Lyle, out in 32 to Gallacher's 33, chipped to four feet for a birdie at the long eleventh. He took three putts from just off the edge at the fourteenth, but he birdied his next two holes, and so, at that point, he was within a shot of Gallacher.

Yet once again there was a dramatic swing in favour of Gallacher. He holed from 12 feet for a birdie at the sixteenth, while one hole ahead of him, Lyle, from the middle of the fairway, left his nine-iron approach short, and he took three more to get down. From that point, Lyle was simply battling to keep second place ahead of King, who started each half with birdies, but failed to find any further fortune on the greens.

Leading final scores

GB and Irish unless stated: 274: B Gallacher, 66, 71, 68, 69.
276: S Lyle 68, 71, 70, 67. 277: M King, 69, 67, 71, 70. 279: J Canizares (Sp), 67, 68, 71, 73.
280: B Barnes, 71, 67, 73, 69; E Murray, 68, 73, 71, 70; I Woosnam, 72, 69, 69, 70; H Clark, 70, 70, 66, 74.
281: C Mason, 68, 72, 73, 68; G Brand jnr, 69, 72, 69, 71; J Rivero (Sp), 70, 69, 70, 72; J Anderson (Can), 69, 72, 71, 70; S Bishop, 71, 68, 76, 67.
283: M McLean, 71, 69, 71, 71; M James, 72, 68, 69, 73.

ROWING

Baillieu back in with an Olympic chance

By Jim Railton

Chris Baillieu, Britain's 34-year-old heavyweight sculler, came back into consideration for an Olympic place yesterday with a second place in the Nottinghamshire International, where he finished one length down on the young New Zealander, Garry Reid.

I thought Baillieu's international track record this year, has not exactly impressed – he was eliminated in Vichy on the first day, and finished second to Reid on the second and on Saturday, he cried off with a migraine attack – yesterday he fought doggedly against Reid from Whakatane who was always ahead. Baillieu's final test will come in the Lucerne International, in two weeks.

Britain's world lightweight silver medal winner, John Melvin also made amends for Saturday, when he finished well down in fourth place. Yesterday he led from start to finish to beat the Danish world lightweight champion, Bjorne Eltlang with Armstrong, of Ireland, in third place. The British veteran woman, Beryl Mitchell, seventh in the world last year, was still in a class of her own with victories in the single sculls on both days.

As an international event, the event was disappointing, with many West European nations, including Britain's leading heavyweight coxed four opting instead for the East German international at Grünau.

One of yesterday's surprises was the defeat of Britain's world lightweight silver medal coxless four from Nottingham by three hundredths of a second by another British squad crew stroked by the London-based Simon Melvin.

SATURDAY: Women: 1 Commercial (Ireland), 4min 16.64sec. Singles sculls: 1, B Mitchell (ARA), 4:07.90. Quadruple sculls: 1, Italy 3min 34.24sec. Eights: 1, ARA, 3. 28.65. Coxed fours: Men: 1, B Etang (Den), 8:39.75. Lightweight coxless fours: 1, ARA (Nottingham), 7:02.77. Doubles sculls: Coxless pairs: 1 ARA (Nottingham). 7.36.18. Single sculls: 1, G Reid (Whakatane, New Zealand), 8.00.05. Coxed pairs: 1, ARA, 7:5.92. Lightweight double sculls: 1 Denmark, 7:14.93. Lightweight Eight: 1 Italy, 6:24.28. Eights: 1, ARA, 6:16.02. Quadruple sculls: 1, ARA, 6:39.21.
YESTERDAY: Women: Coxed fours: 1, ARA 4:0019; 2, Clyde/Glasgow 4:12.62; 3, Cambridge University 4:26.73. Coxless pairs: 1, Commercial RC (Ire) 4:22.13; 2, ARA 4.25.67; 3, Glasgow RC 4:54.28. Single sculls: 1, B Mitchell (ARA) 4:14.84; 3, F Cryan (Carrick-on-Shannon, Ire) 4:19.14. Quadruple sculls: 1, Italy 3:38.74; 2, ARA 3:45.17; 3, France 3:45.56. Eights: 1, ARA 3:29.58; 2, Civil Service Ladies 3:50.07. Double sculls: 1, Denmark; 2, Italy; 3, ARA. Single sculls: 1, J Melvin (ARA) 8:02.10; 2, B Eltang (Den) 8:06.71; 3, J Arstong (Ire) 8:12.16. Lightweight coxless fours: 1, ARA (London) 7:04.55; 2, ARA (Nottingham) 7:04.86; 3, Italy 7:08.91.
Mens Coxed fours: 1, ARA 7:04.53; 2, University of London 7:11.25. Double sculls: 1, London RC 7: 38.20; 2, Llandaff RC 7:40.12; 3, Wimbledon College 7: 47.25. Coxless pairs: 1 J Beattie and R Stanhope (ARA), 7:47.33; 2 E Sims and J Lawther (ARA) 7:57.26; 3 M Knight and J Clift (ARA) 7:57.90. Singles Sculls: 1 G Reid (Whakatane, NZ) 8:07.72; 2 C Baillieu (ARA) 8:09.83. Single Sculls: 1, G Reid (NZ) 8:07.72; 2, C Baillieu (ARA GB), 8:09.83. Coxless fours: 1, London University/Tyrian 7:08.19; 2, ARA 7:10.23; 3, Antwerp (Belgium), 7:22.56. Quadruple Sculls: 1, ARA GB 7:10.69; 2, Notts County 7:21.18; 3, Kingston 7:32.54. Heavyweight eights: 1, ARA (GB) 6:26.08; 2, Vesta (GB) 6:37.55; 3, Denmark 6:40.98.

Oriel just keep their head

Oriel just held on to their headship in the final of the Oxford summer eights on Saturday (Jim Railton writes). Christ Church had pressured the lead crew all week, coming within a third of a length on Friday and half a length on Saturday.

New College finished third, well behind the wake of the top two crews. Pembroke predictably climbed on each day of the competition to reward a conscientious approach.

St Hugh's retained their headship in the women's competition, resistng Osler House's final challenge on Saturday with consummate ease.

● *Final positions will be published tomorrow.*

RACING

Darshaan keeps raiders at bay

From Desmond Stoneham,
French Correspondent, Paris

Darshaan justified favouritism and kept the six cross channel raiders at bay when taking the Prix du Jockey-Club (French Derby) at Chantilly yesterday afternoon. The colt became the seventh French Derby win for Yves Saint-Martin and the second for the Aga Khan who took the race in 1979 with Top Valle.

At the post Darshaan has a length and half to spare over Sadler's Wells, and Pat Eddery, with Rainbow Quest half a length away third and Truculent a distant fourth.

Big-race details

Going: Soft

PRIX DU JOCKEY-CLUB (Group 1) (£82,508: 3-y-o 1m 4f)
DARSHAAN B C by ShirleyHeights – Delsy (Aga Khan) 9-2 .... Y Saint Martin 1
Sadler's Wells b c by Northern Dancer – Fairey Bridge (R Sangster) 9-2 .... Pat Eddery 2
Rainbow Quest b c by Blushing Groom – I Will Follow (K Abdulla) 9-2 .... A Lequeux 3
Also Ran: Truculent (4), Wootskin (5), Long Mick (6), Seismic Wave (7), Bob Back (8), Carlellor (9), Dahar (10), Sombreval (11), Vieux Boucau (12), Majuscule (13), Congress Palace (14), Head for Heights (15), Altdorfer (16), Sherkin. 17 ran. NR: Extol. 1½l, ½l, 2l, ½l, s hd, 6l, ½l, 1l. A de Royer-Dupre Pari-Mutuel: £2.40, PL £1.40, £2.40, £4.30. DF £10.90. 2m 32.2s

The big disappointment of the Jockey-Club was Dahar who eventually finished tenth. Lester Piggott had the colt positioned perfectly behind the pair made no further progress.

Piggott's post race comment was: "He ran bad and found nothing in the final stages," and Maurice Zilber, his trainer, added: "I do not understand, he was most disappointing. I have made no decision about the Epsom Derby and the horse will see the vet."

Piggott hinted that he could now be associated with Executive Pride at Epsom on Wednesday.

Saint-Martin apparently had no qualms during the race. "I was going easy all the way and was never worried cantering along on the outside. I brought Darshaan to make his challenge on the outside in the straight and victory for us was never in doubt. He is a great horse." Darshaan in fact took the lead off Sadler's Wells a furlong out and was going away at the finish.

Alain de Royer-Dupre, enjoying his first win at Chantilly, said: "The King George could be Darshaan's next race. He is still a fresh horse and of course my main target will be the Arc."

Pat Eddery had a fantastic ride on Sadler's Wells who looked to have the Jockey-Club sealed up with two furlongs left to run. At this point Darshaan was several lengths adrift bu Sadler's Wells did not quite have the stamina of the eventual winner. "He ran a cracking race", Robert Sangster said, who added "We have no immediate plans for the colt".

Rainbow Quest was another who was always well up with the pace and stayed on well. His next race could be the Irish Sweeps Derby, but Jeremy Tree will not make a decision until after the Epsom Derby.

Cash Asmussen made all the running on Mendez to land a comfortable victory in the nine furlong Prix Jean Prat. The pair had two and a half lengths to spare over the blinkered Yashgan, with Lester Piggott on Kalim a further four lengths away third. Francois Boutin will now rest Mendez until the Prix Jacques Le Marois at Deauville.

There was considerable surprise in the Prix de Royaumont where the first three places went to outsiders. The winner Odyssee beat Une Folie a short head with the Hern trained Sea Ballet a length and half away third. Sea Ballet could turn omt for the Ribblesdale Stakes at Royal Ascot.

Another upset came in the five furlong Prix du Gros Chene when the hot favourite Sicyos was beaten by the former Irish trained Royal Hobbit.


Driving finish: Superlative (right) gets the better of Keen in Kempton's Heron Stakes on Saturday

National Hunt champions look forward to clash on the Flat

John Francome and Michael Dickinson, champions yet again of the National Hunt season that ended on Saturday, look like being rival trainers on the flat in 1986. It will be fascinating to see these giants of the jumping game tackle a different sphere.

Francome, who did not ride on the final day, finished with 131 winners, a new personal best, and a score bettered only by John O'Neill's 149 six years ago. It was Francome's fourth consecutive century and it earned him his sixth champion jockeys' title. His career total of 1,037 under Jockey Club rules is a record.

Francome said: "I shall certainly ride again next season and see how I feel by Christmas. But my intention is to train on the flat in 1986. I'll give Michael a run for his money."

Dickinson replied: "John is an absolutely brilliant jockey, but training is a different game." Dickinson has now retired from jumping as champion trainer for the third year running in a sensational career of only four seasons. His 86 winners this term earned £266,146. His great rival Fred Winter sent out more winners - 90, but fell just short in prize money with £247,526.

Today Michael Dickinson moves from Harewood, in Yorkshire, to a cottage in Berkshire to build up an establishment as private trainer to Robert Sangster. "I'm sorry to be leaving jumping and to be leaving Yorkshire. I love jumping, it's a great sport and there are a lot of great people in it, but I'm moving to a new challenge."

Simon Sherwood, aged 26, is jumping's New champion amateur after a tremendous late flourish to the season, culminating in a double at Market Rasen on Saturday night, which took his score to 28, one more than Dermot Brown who has been grounded by injury since April 23.

Brown, who will ride as a professional next season, was champion amateur for the two previous seasons and looked certain to complete the treble until breaking several bones in his left arm when Sansolito fell at Market Rasen. He then had to watch both Sherwood and Richard Dunwoody slowly whittle away his big lead.

Sherwood had only one booked ride on Saturday, star charter at Stratford, and needed to win to tie with Brown. That one could finish only fifth but he then picked up two good rides at Market Rasen's evening meeting and was driven there in a hectic dash by his brother, Oliver.

Oliver Sherwood said: "O'Neill owed Simon one and he gave him the ride on Vitingo in the first race, while Jimmy Frost gave him the mount on Richard G in the last race." Both Vitingo and Richard G Started favourite and both won – the very last race of the season deciding the amateur title.

On the classic front, Henry Cecil, the Newmarket trainer, confirmed Claude Monet as a definite runner in Wednesday's derby at Epsom. A stable spokesman said: "the colt worked beautifully Saturday morning." with Legend of France and Prince of Peace and Steve Cauthern will again have the ride".

Coral's have halved Executive Pride's Derby odds to 25-1, anticipating that Lester Piggott will ride him. Mecca's latest prices on the big race are 4-6 E : Gran Senor, 7 Alphabatim, 14 Secret : (from 20-1), Ilium, Kaytu; 16 Claude Monet, 33 others. Labrokes have had strong support in the Oaks for Guy Harwoods Spinelle, who have been cut from 33-1 to 20-1.

Pat Eddery has been booked to ride Miss Beaulieu in the fillies classic on Saturday for the Newmarket trainer Geoff Wragg.

Henry Cecil, although delighted with Claude Monet's gallop, has found Kempton's Heron Stakes an unlucky race. Last season he sent out Diesis to be narrowly beaten at 3-1 on in this event, after running unplaced in the 2,000 guineas, and on Saturday he saddled that colt's brother, Keen. He also started at long odds on, having been unplaced in the guineas, and he too was narrowly beaten.

The race was dominated throughout by Superlative and Keen, and while Superlative was the first to come under pressure, he battled on under a strong ride from Tony Ives, and just managed to get up

Bill O'Gorman's brave performer is Ascot bound, for the cork and Orrery stakes.

Guy Harwood's three-year-olds may remain under a cloud, but his juveniles continue to please, and his Old Bailey ran on strongly to give 5lb and a half-length beating to John Dunlop's newcomer Lobbit in the Manor Two-year-old Stakes. Harwood will now choose between the Chesham Stakes and the Coventry Stakes for the colt's next appearance.

The apprentice Adam Shoults, the lad who went into racing because he wanted to ride fast, will long remember Newmarket on Saturday when he beat the great Lester Piggott a short head, riding Lovers Bid to victory in the Holsten Diat Pils Handicap.

Argosy in form for Ascot

From Our Irish
Correspondent, Dublin

The Vincent O'Brien-trained three-year-old colt Argosy, and the Dermot Weld-trained four-year-old filly Committed, fought out a hectic finish to the £20,000-added Kilfrush/What A Guest Stakes over a mile at the Phoenix Park on Saturday. Pat Eddery had lived dangerously on the frequently baulked Argosy before getting up in the last 50 yards to win by half a length.

Another length away in third place came the Barry Hills challenger Hollywood Party, who had a better run than most, and appeared to be flattered by getting into the frame.

Vincent O'Brien, who earlier had his first juvenile win of the season, Magic Mirror, nominated Argosy for the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot. Magic Mirror, who recovered from a slow start to win the Cherry Blossom Stakes by a short head from Flatteuse, will run in the Norfolk Stakes

Miami Count, a stable mate of Flatteuse, comfortably beat off Persian Warrior and Upepo, in the Steven D. Peskoff two-year-old race. Michael Kauntze will now rum Miami Count in his favourite Ascot race, the Windsor Castle Stakes.

English trainer Chuck Spares will have his first-ever runner in Ireland at Leopardstown today with Mummy's Treasure in the five furlong Group Three Ballyogan Stakes. Mummy's Treasure has won six times over this distance, but may not be able to cope with the locally trained Steel Commander.

Other results

PRIX DE ROYAUMONT (group 3) (3-y-o: fillies: £13,201: 1m 2f 100yd)
ODYSSEE br f by Frere Basile–Kahena (A Boccara) 8-9 .... J-C Desaint 1
Une Folie b f by Frere Basile–Saintly Steps (Mrs P O'Neill) 8-9 .... A Badel 2
Sea Ballet ch f by Pharly–Sea Singer (Sir M Sobell) 8-9 .... W Carson 3
Also Ran: Mpani (4), Reve De Reine (5), Pushkinia (6), Celtic Assembly (7), Light Fantastic (8), Danibella (9), Porte Des Lilas (10), Green City, Danse Du Nord, Marie D'Argonne, Papermoon (Last). 14 ran. Sh hd, 1½l, 1l, sh nk, hd, sh hd, ¾l, 1½l, 15l. J Cunnington, Jnr. Pari-Mutuel: 7.40 (coupled with Papermoon): Pl: 14.00, 5.00, 6.50. DF 307.00. 2m 11.9s.

PRIX JEAN PRAT (group 2) (3-y-o: £29,827: 1m 1f)
MENDEZ gr c by Bellypha–Miss Carina (Philip Niarchos) 9-2 .... C Asmussen 1
Yashgan b c by Hot Grove–Val Divine (Aga Khan) 9-2 .... Y Saint-Martin 2
Kalim br c by Hotfoot–Khadaeen (Aga Khan) 9-2 .... L Piggott 3
Also Ran: River's Wave (4), Knoxville (5), Northern Tempest. 6 ran. 2½l, 4l, 4l, 3l, 10l. F Boutin.
Pari-Mutuel: 1.90: Pl 1.20, 1.20. DF: 4.00. 1m 52.8s.

Saturday results

Newmarket

1.30 1, Hajes (12-1); 2, Mohseen (6-1 fav); 3, Babecoote (7-1). 28 ran. NR: Sharp Ready.
2.0 1, Wyfla (7-1 jt-fav); 2, Tropical Way (15-2); 3, Caro's Gift (10-1); 4, Carocrest (16-1). Buzzier (7-1 jt fav) 16 ran.
2.30 1, Lovers Bid (15-2); 2, Gaius (7-1); 3, Free As Air (7-1). Canif (13-2 fav). 14 ran.
3.0 1, Laxay (12-1); 2, Season's Greeting (20-1); 3, Record Supreme (6-1). Surfing Era (9-2 fav). 14 ran. NR: The Milkman.
3.30 1, Sharp Romance (11-8 fav); 2, Mojbil (7-1) 3, Alberg (7-2). 7 ran.
4.05 1, Prime Assett (8-11 fav); 2, Musical Box (9-4); 3, Ash Fair (100-1). 9 ran.
4.35 1, Obadiah (4-1); 2, Lady of the Land (8-1); 3, Barranca (14-1). Aqaba Prince (9-4 fav). 11 ran.

Thirsk

1.45 1, Ahona (11-10 fav); 2, Y I Oyston (5-1); 3, Edwin's Princess (14-1). 6 ran.
2.15 1, Hotkole (5-1); 2, Malibu Beach (5-2 fav); 3, Bounty Hawk (15-2). 8 ran.
2.45 1, Indian Rajah (8-1); 2, Fair Madame (20-1); 3, Hooligan (6-1). Joyful Dancer (5-2 fav).
3.15 1, Blue Breeze (9-2); 2, Uncle Oliver (12-1); 3, Perovskia (5-2 fav). 10 ran. NR: ABC Superstar, Alma Real.
3.45 1, Grey Desire (12-1); 2, Prince Reymo (7-4 fav); 3, Camlake (13-2). 9 ran.
4.15 1, Timewaster (11-4); 2, Key Factor (4-1); 3, Johnny Fortune (6-1). Singida (13-8 fav). 8 ran.

Kempton

6.0, 1, Our Jock (7-1); 2, Crown Estate (11-4 fav); 3, Yeti Song (7-2). 9 ran, nr Kushti Bank.
6.30 1, Bishop's Ring (4-6 fav); 2, Sweet Soprano (9-1); 3, Bocoda Lad (20-1). 11 ran, nr Raginda.
7.0 1, Superlative (5-2); 2, Keen (2-5 fav); 3, Chicago Bid (25-1). 4 ran.
7.30 1, Leipzig (4-5 fav); 2, Fair Dominion (14-1); 3, Trigonal (10-1). 10 ran.
8.0 1, Old Bailey (5-6 fav); 2, Lobbit (12-1); 3, Coincidental (7-1). 13 ran nr L'Ansecoy.
8.30 1, Widd (15-2); 2, Bossanova Boy (5-2 fav); 3, Free Press (5-1). 10 ran.

Hamilton

6.30 1, Fan Club (5-6 fav); 2, Zio Peppino (9-2); 3, Nasr (9-4). 6 ran.
7.0 1, Green Ruby (4-6 fav); 2, Tanfen (6-4); 3, Wisdom to Know (7-1). 3 ran.
7.30 1, Ale Water (4-11 fav); 2, Bentel Bondman (8-1); 3, John Gilpin (3-1). 3 ran.
8.0 1, Melowald (4-1); 2, Princess Aura (3-1); 3, Krislin (9-1). Linde Lusardi (7-4 fav). 7 ran.
8.30 1, Proceeding (7-4 jt fav); 2, Revenged (10-1); 3, Carado (7-4 jt fav). 6 ran.
9.0 1, Apple Orchard (14-1); 2, Hazel Bush (100-30 fav); 3, Compactor (14-1). 10 ran.

Stratford

2.00 1, Arctic Slogan (9-4 fav); 2, Mr Darkie (11-4); 3, Native Break (7-2). 8 ran.
2.30 1, Easter Lee (9-2 fav); 2, The Irish Rhine (11-2); 3, Outlaw (14-1). 14 ran.
3.05 1, Prominent King (7-1); 2, Brent Mystery (25-1); 3, Dicky Blob (8-1). Compton Lad (7-4 fav) 20 ran.
3.35 1, Perhaps Lucky (3-1 fav); 2, Mossy Bell (12-1); 3, Looking For Gold (50-1); 4, Tiptoe Lover (50-1). 18 ran. Nr Charley Fisher.
4.05 1, Gambling Prince (7-2); 2, Captain Dynamo (5-2); 3, Crosa (9-4 fav). 10 Ran.
4.35 1, Corrib Lad (15-2); 2, Gold Floor (16-1); 3, Mount Harvard (16-1); 4, Crown Land (7-1). Dropshot (100-30 fav). 20 ran. Nr Venturion and First Award.

Market Rasen

6.30 1, Vitingo (5-2 fav); 2, Debona (33-1); 3, Arrab (16-1). 14 ran. nr. Orange Blossom.
7.00 1, Menston Marauder (5-2 fav); 2, Bedlam Hill (6-1); 3, Kikori (10-1). 9 ran. nr. Charley Fisher.
7.30. 1, Mossy Cones (10-1); 2, Swift Encounter (20-1); 3, Glen Willy (3-1 fav). nr. Ragabury, Jimmypick, Golden Cymbal.
8.0 1, Unscrupulous Judge (100-30); 2, Spring Chancellor (1-1); 3, Foggy Buoy (11-4 fav). nr. No Retreat.
8.30 1, Golden Ty (8-1); 2, Queensbury Joe (8-1); 3, Tivoli Gardens (11-4 fav). 17 ran.
9.0 1, Richard G (6-4 fav); 2, Says Eye (5-2); 3 Vultop (16-1). 7 ran.

Point-to-point

EXMOOR: Hunt: Bad Job. BFSS: Duke of Paraguay. Adj: MacNab's Quest. L Op: National Clover. Op: Swarra. R Op: Paddy Too.

Course specialists

BATH
TRAINERS: J Tree 9 winners from 34 runners, 26.5%; B Hills 24 from 123, 19.5%; H Candy 14 from 100, 14.0%.
JOCKEYS: P Eddery 34 winners from 142 mounts, 23.9%; W Carson 19 from 122, 15.6%; S Cauthen 17 from 133, 12.8%.

FOLKESTONE
J Dunlop 17 winners from 76 runners, 22.9%; M Jarvis 9 from 41.22%; J Winter 11 from 77, 14.3%.
JOCKEYS: P Robinson 8 winners from 73 mounts, 11.0%; A Bond 8 from 77, 10.4%.

EDINBURGH
TRAINERS: W Elsey 9 winners from 52 runners, 17.3%; D Smith 24 from 158, 15.2%; J Berry 10 from 80, 12.5%.
JOCKEYS: K Darley 11 winners from 70 mounts, 15.7%; S Webster 5 from 104, 4.8%.

Blinkered first time

EDINBURGH: 7.0 Karl Girl. 7.30 Ragged Rascal. 9.0 Dowegain, Gamesmanship.
BATH: 3.30 His Dream.
FOLKESTONE: 1.45 Double Dealer, Tahiche. 2.15 Ellan Vretyn. 3.15 Pegeen. 4.15 Temple Bar. 5.15 Stampy.

Flat leaders

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Days since win	Level stakes
M Stoute	25	18	12	0	−9.93
H Cecil	23	20	11	4	−14.74
G Harwood	23	13	23	0	−34.56
W O'Gorman	21	16	9	0	+6.63
R Hollinshead	20	7	17	7	−18.50
J Dunlop	18	16	7	0	−22.07
J Berry	17	24	14	0	−62.30
P Cole	17	11	5	2	+57.45
P Haslam	14	3	4	5	+44.76
R Hannon	12	9	12	9	−60.83

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	losing sequence	level stakes
Pat Eddery	32	21	21	4	+7.80
L Piggott	30	27	24	4	−25.20
S Cauthen	29	25	25	0	−48.18
W Swinburn	29	15	13	1	+7.84
T Ives	28	31	18	1	−41.19
G Duffield	23	26	13	3	−53.78
W Carson	22	34	24	12	−91.74
B Rouse	20	14	22	7	−85.87
K Darley	18	13	19	2	−6.88
T Quinn	18	6	8	4	+82.57

FOLKESTONE

GOING: Good.
Draw 5, 6f: low numbers best.

1.45 FOLKESTONE STAKES (£613: 6f) (14 runners)
1 00-00 CAPTAIN'S BIDD L Lightbrown 4-9-0 .... M Thomas 1
2 00 JUST JOSHUA T M Jones 5-9-0 .... N Howe 10
5 000-00 PORTADORE M Usher 4-9-0 .... A Bond 5
6 000-0 PRESS BARON P Ashworth 5-9-0 .... B Raymond 3
8 04010 DOUBLE DEALER (B) R Houghton 3-8-11 .... W R Swinburn 6
10 2211 TOCAVE H Cecil 3-8-11 .... L Piggott 7
14 30- SIR JOSHUA WYLEY N Gaselee 3-8-4 .... J Jenkinson 8
15 00- YOUNG BUCKERS M Haynes 3-8-4 .... R Cochrane 1
16 00- BARGOUZINE M M Hinchliffe 3-8-1 .... D McKay 13
18 GEMEAUX R Howe 3-8-1 .... G Duffield 14
26 0-00 SEA MIRACLE J Winter 3-8-1 .... P Ronson 2
27 000-0 SOUNDS BEAUTIFUL G Blum 3-8-1 .... P Robinson 2
28 322-0 TAHICHE (B) Thomson Jones 3-8-1 .... R Hills 12
31 0 VOLVI B Hobbs 3-8-1 .... G Baxter 4
1983: Shining Out, 3-8-8, A Clark (4-6fav), G Harwood. 13 ran.
8-15 Tocave, 9-2 Tahiche, 8 Volvi, 10 Double Dealer, 16 Sea Miracle, 25 others.

2.15 HAWKINGE SELLING STAKES (Div I: £658: 1m 2f) (11)
1 0-000 TROPICAL RED C Wildman 4-9-2 .... R Hills 7
5 0000- SERIOUS BUSINESS R Simpson 4-8-11 .... S Whitworth (7) 10
7 00-00 DOMINION GIRL K Cunningham-Brown 4-8-8 .... W R Swinburn 11
8 0-000 ELLAN VRETYN (B) D Jermy 4-8-8 .... J Jenkinson 5
11 00-00 PICATAC (B) M Bolton 4-8-8 .... B Jago 6
13 000-0 STOCK HILL LAD M Blanshard 3-8-6 .... – 3
14 00-00 CAPTAIN'S GIFT A Ingham 3-8-1 .... R Still 4
19 0-000 YOU CHEEKY Pat Mitchell 3-8-1 .... P Robinson 8
22 0 FIVE GILLS N Callaghan 3-7-12 .... G Duffield 2
25 000-0 TREKKING (B) Mrs C Reavey 3-7-12 .... M L Thomas 9
26 6 UBIQUITOUS LADY R Howe 3-7-12 .... D McKay 1
1983: Kristen 4-8-13, R Curant (11-2), R Hoad. 12 ran.
7-4 Tropical Red, 100-30 Captain's Gift, 5 Five Gills, 13-2 Trekking, 8 Dominion Girl, 12 You Cheeky, 14 others.

2.45 HAWKINGE SELLING STAKES (Div II: £657: 1m 2f) (10)
3 000-0 DERRY DON (B) N Vigors 4-8-11 .... W R Swinburn 7
6 000- VIKING JACK D Jermy 4-8-11 .... – 1
9 00- FIONA THE FAIR A Neaves 4-8-8 .... – 10
12 0002 PEANDAY (C) H Beasley 3-8-6 .... D McKay 8
15 00-00 GREAT VINTAGE D Morley 3-8-1 .... G Duffield 2
16 0 MOUNT MELLERAY R Howe 3-8-1 .... R Hills 3
17 0-000 SUPER DIP R Hoad 3-8-1 .... A Bond 6
21 00-04 CHIMERA P Mitchell 3-7-12y 3-7-12 .... A McGlone 4
23 0-000 MONTANA DAWN (B) K Ivory 3-7-12 .... P Robinson 9
28 00-00 WHEELWRIGHTS LADY M Haynes 3-7-12 .... I Jenkinson 5
1983: No race.
6-4 Peanday, 4 Chimera, 11-2 Derry Don, Great Vintage, 8 Wheelwrights Lady, 14 others.

3.15 BARHAM STAKES (3-y-o: £829: 1m 4f) (13)
2 0 ART EDICT H Cecil 9-0 .... L Piggott 10
6 0-440 FIRST BANQUET M Jarvis 9-0 .... B Raymond 3
8 03-23 HIGH MORALE (BF) J Winter 9-0 .... T Ives 5
13 0-0 MOSOF D Oughton 9-0 .... A Clark 2
15 0-0 RED MUSTANG H Beasley 9-0 .... – 8
16 0-320 ROYAL CRACKER G Harwood 9-0 .... G Starkey 13
20 0-00 TOWNSVILLE J Sutcliffe 9-0 .... M L Thomas 1
21 0-000 TROMEROS C Brittain 9-0 .... P Robinson 7
23 2230- DASHING LIGHT D Morley 8-11 .... G Duffield 12
24 0 DIPSICATO A Moore 8-11 .... – 4
26 4-0 MORSTONIA (BF) M Stoute 8-11 .... W R Swinburn 11
28 0 PEGEEN (B) B Hobbs 8-11 .... G Baxter 9
30 034-0 SLEDGE K Brassey 8-11 .... M Hills 6
2 Art Edict, 7-2 Sledge, 9-2 High Morale, 11-2 Morstonia, 10 Royal Cracker, 14 Pegeen, 16 others.

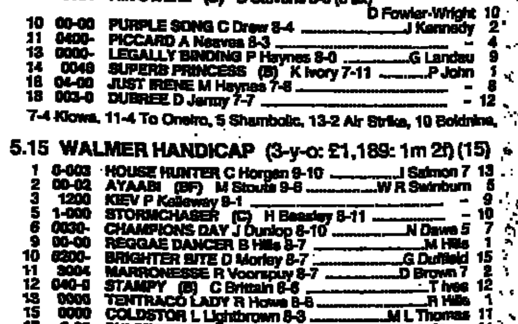
3.45 METROPOLE CHALLENGE CUP (2-y-o: £2,578: 5f) (9).
2 01 INDIANA PENCIL (D) J Bridger 9-1 .... N Dawe (5) 6
3 1112 PROVIDEO (D) (B) (BF) W O'Gorman 9-1 .... T Ives 7
6 012 JACKIE BLAIR (D) P Haynes 8-12 .... N Howe 5
7 0 ARTIST RIFLE R Simpson 8-11 .... L Piggott 3
8 COLONEL DOW D Morley 8-11 .... G Duffield 8
9 4 DELIVER THE GOODS R Hoad 8-11 .... A Bond 1
10 030 FORT DUCHESNE M Madhgwick 8-11 .... W R Swinburn 4
11 00 NAJI P Butler 8-11 .... – 2
13 0 SUDDEN IMPACT S Mathews 8-11 .... B Jago 9
4-5 Provideo, 11-4 Jackie Blair, 6 Indiana Pencil, 10 Colonel Dow.

Folkestone selections

By Mandarin
1.45 Tocave, 2.15 Five Gills, 2.45 Chimera, 3.15 Art Edict, 3.45 Provideo, 4.15 Going Broke, 4.45 Kiowa, 5.15 AYAABI (nap).

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.45 Tocave, 2.15 Five Gills, 3.15 High Morale, 3.45 Provideo, 4.15 Purns Mill, 4.45 Kiowa, 5.15 Ayaabi.


4.15 DOVER HANDICAP (£1,145: 1m 7f 100yd) (14)
1 000-0 YELED P Kelleway 6-9-10 .... – 1
3 1300 TEMPLE (B) C Brittain 4-9-4 .... T Ives 5
4 44-0 COURTFIELD D Arbuthnot 4-9-2 .... G Duffield 9
5 20-33 PURNS HILL (BF) A Stewart 4-8-11 .... B Raymond 4
6 0-321 GOING BROKE D Murray-Smith 4-8-11 (7 ex) .... L Piggott 8
8 4044 AL NASAR (B) C Benstead 6-8-5 .... W R Swinburn 12
10 0-020 NERAIDA (CD) M Haynes 4-8-3 .... I Jenkinson 14
12 0-000 HAVE BLESSED R Smyth 4-8-1 .... P Robinson 11
13 10/00 B JASKI R Simpson 5-8-1 .... S Whitworth 7 7
14 000- UNICHEQ LAD K Cunningham-Brown 4-8-0 .... D McKay 2
15 0-032 DUKE OF DOLLIS R Armytage 5-7-10 .... A McKay 3
17 03-00 CAPTAIN OATES A Madwar 5-7-8 .... G King 7 6
18 002-0 BABY'S SMILE C Benstead 4-7-7 .... A McGlone 10
19 00-02 SOME SPARE M Smyly 5-7-7 .... M L Thomas 13
5-2 Going Broke, 4 Purns Mill, 9-2 Duke Of Dollis, 11-2 Some Spare.


4.45 LEVY BOARD APPRENTICE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £787: 6f) (12)
1 00-00 BOLDMINE C Brittain 9-7 .... Z Fitzgerald 5 3
3 0214 TO ONEIRO R Armstrong 9-4 .... P Struthers 7
4 0011 KIOWA (D) P Haslam 8-13 .... J Scally 11
5 3401 SHAMBOLIC R Smyth 9-2 (6 ex) .... I McLelland 5 5
6 0-000 LONELY STREET D Laing 8-10 .... K Radcliffe 6
8 0031 AIR STRIKE (D) B Stevens 8-9 (6 ex) .... D Fowler-Wright 10
10 00-00 PURPLE SONG C Drew 8-4 .... J Kennedy 2
11 0400- PICCARD A Neaves 8-3 .... – 4
13 0000- LEGALLY BINDING P Haynes 8-0 .... G Landau 9
14 0040 SUPERS PRINCESS (B) K Ivory 7-11 .... P John 1
16 04-00 JUST IRENE M Haynes 7-8 .... – 8
18 003-0 DUBREE D Jermy 7-7 .... – 12
7-4 Kiowa, 11-4 To Oneiro, 5 Shambolic, 13-2 Air Strike, 10 Boldmine,

5.15 WALMER HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,189: 1m 2f) (15)
1 0-003 HOUSE HUNTER C Horgan 9-10 .... I Salmon 7 13
2 00-02 AYAABI (BF) M Stoute 9-6 .... W R Swinburn 5
3 1200 KIEV P Kelleway 9-1 .... – 9
5 1-000 STORMCHASER (C) H Beasley 8-11 .... – 10
6 0030- CHAMPIONS DAY J Dunlop 8-10 .... N Dawe 5 7
9 00-00 REGGAE DANCER B Hills 8-7 .... M Hills 1
10 0200- BRIGHTER BITE D Morley 8-7 .... G Duffield 15
11 3004 MARRONESSE R Voorspuy 8-7 .... D Brown 7 2
12 040-0 STAMPY (B) C Brittain 8-6 .... T Ives 12
13 0000 TENTRACO LADY R Howe 8-6 .... R Hills 1
15 0000 COLDSTOR L Lightbrown 8-3 .... M L Thomas 11
17 0-00 PULSTATE C Benstead 8-2 .... A McGlone 14
18 00-00 IL SARACENO P Burgoyne 8-1 .... A Bond 8
19 000- BEAT THE RETREAT C Horgan 8-1 .... E Cullen 7 6
20 00-20 SEMPSTER (BF) W Holden 8-1 .... A Mackay 6
13-8 Ayaabi, 5-1 House Hunter, 4 Kiev, 8 Champions Day.

EDINBURGH

GOING: Good.
Draw: High numbers best

6.30 SOCCERAMA – CALEDONIAN FIXED ODDS APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£713: 5f) (9 runners)
1 1420 PERGODA (CD) (B) I Vickers 6-10-0 .... M Hindley 6
2 21-0 POWDER PUFF (D) C Nelson 3-8-6 .... – 8
6 0-130 MANX GOD (D) D Chapman 3-8-11 .... S P Griffiths 5
8 01-30 ACKA'S GEM (CD) (BF) Denys Smith 3-8-10 .... D Leadbitter 3
10 04/0-1 ILLICIT (CD) G Fletcher 5-8-7 (6 ex) .... G Dickie 9
13 3020 ARCHIMBOLDO W A Stephenson 6-8-1 .... – 2
14 3-200 LAURA'S CHOICE T Craig 3-8-1 .... J Carroll 1
15 0100 TRADESMAN (CD) J Haldane 4-8-0 .... – 4
16 0040 EASTERN TREASURE J P Smith 5-7-12 .... P Hill 7
7-4 Illick, 3 Powder Puff, 5 Pergoda, 8 Acka's Gem, 10 Manx God, 12 others.

Edinburgh selections

By Mandarin
6.30 Powder Puff. 7.0 Princess Wendy. 7.30 Smart Mart. 8.0 Palace Rocket. 8.30 Dimitri. 9.0 Serraj.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
9.0 Serraj.

7.0 CALEDONIAN RACING MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £697: (5)
1 0 BALLYARRY C H Bell 9-0 .... N Carlisle 4
2 4 DEBRIS W A Stephenson 9-0 .... – 5
4 0004 CAROUSEL NOUGAT J S Wilson 8-11 .... K Darley 2
5 000 KARI GIRL (B) D Plant 8-11 .... B Coogan 3
6 044 PRINCESS WENDY M W Easterby 8-11 .... M Hindley 7 1
Evens Debris, 5-2 Princess Wendy, 4 Carousel Nougat, 10 Ballarry.

7.30 CALEDONIAN RACING HANDICAP (£1,744: 7f) (6)
2 00-00 SOME YOYO (CD) C H Bell 4-9-10 .... N Carlisle 6
3 0000 SKYBOOT C A Bell 5-9-5 .... – 1
7 043-0 SMART MART (D) M Camacho 5-8-4 .... J Lowe 5
9 00-0 RAGGED RASCAL (B) C Nelson 3-7-11 .... – 2
12 0000 UPTOWN GIRL J P Smith 4-7-6 .... P Hill 7 3
13 3400 FINAL CAST D Chapman 5-7-7 .... S P Griffiths 7 4
11-8 Smart Mart, 3 Skyboot, 5 Some Yoyo, 7 Ragged Rascal, 10 Final Cast, 12 Uptown Girl.

8.0 'CERT' SELLING STAKES (£571: 1m) (6)
4 0u00 LADY CAROL N Bycroft 4-9-13 .... C Dwyer 2
5 d322 SAFFRON POSER (BF) J Berry 4-8-13 .... K Darley 4
6 0020 PALACE ROCKET T Craig 3-8-9 .... D Nicholls 3
8 0-000 BARNALYRA M McCormack 3-8-2 .... R Woodward 1
11 0040 SAMBOLA J Mason 3-8-2 .... L Charnock 5
12 00-00 EARLY JAZZ D Chapman 3-7-13 .... S P Griffiths 7 6
8-13 Saffron Poser, 4 Palace Rocket, 6 Lady Carol, 10 Sambola, 12 Barnalyra, 20 Early Jazz.

8.30 ROYAL SCOTS CUP HANDICAP (£812: 1m 4f) (6)
1 2410 TAFFY JONES (C,D) M McCormack 5-10-7 (7 ex) .... M Berry 7 1
2 10-02 DIMITRI C Nelson 5-9-13 .... J Lowe 6
3 0200 HARRY HASTINGS J S Wilson 5-9-11 .... C Dwyer 3
7 0-000 THARALEOS F Watson 4-8-13 .... M Fry 5
8 4000- APPLE WINE (CD) D Chapman 7-8-13 .... D Nicholls 4
10 0000- MELTON ROSS D Morrill 4-8-4 .... – 2
2 Dimitri, 3 Taffy Jones, 4 Harry Hastings, 6 Apple Wine, 8 Malton Ross, 10 Tharaleos.

9.0 'GETTING OUT' MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o: £987: 1m) (5)
1 0430 BROCKTON J P Smith 9-0 .... S Webster 1
2 04-20 DOWEGIAN (B) C Nelson 9-0 .... J Lowe 5
3 00-00 GAMESMANSHIP (B) W Elsey 9-0 .... D Nicholls 3
10 DON'T BE SILLY Denys Smith 8-11 .... M Fry 4
14 0 SERRAJ B Hanbury 8-11 .... K Darley 2
11-8 Dowegian, 7-2 Serraj, 4 Brockton, 6 Don't Be Silly, 8 Gamesmanship.

RACING

Ayaabi seems likely to add to Stoute's tally

By Mandarin

Michael Stoute's Newmarket stable is on the crest of a wave. One of his talented fillies, Leipzig, staked a strong claim for Royal Ascot's Coronation Stakes with a runaway victory at Kempton Park's Saturday evening meeting, and his progressive colt, Wylfa, landed one of the sponsored Newmarket handicaps earlier in the afternoon.

The Beech House stable look booked for another success at Folkstone with Ayaabi in the Walmer Handicap, the final event of an eight-race programme. Last time out at Beverley, Ayaabi was caught in the final strides by Whiskey Eyes and is strongly fancied to go one better. Ayaabi has been lightly raced, and should successfully concede the weight to Champions Day and Bill Holden's Sempster, who before her disappointing Hamilton Park run, had been beaten a neck by Moody Girl in an apprentice handicap at Warwick.

It is rare to see the Henry Cecil stable represented at the Kent course, but it is worth remembering that Kris actually won there as a two-year-old, before Cecil had fully recognized his champion qualities. Bookmakers are unlikely to be generous with the price of his Tocave, who should complete his third victory in a row in the Folkestone Stakes. But Art Edict, who shaped promisingly when eighth behind his stable companion, Touchez Le Bois, at Nottingham, may prove a more rewarding investment in the Barham Three-year-Old Maiden Stakes, despite the presence of John Winter's High Morale.

Bill O'Gorman's hardy juvenile, Providea, has never been out of the first two in eight starts this season and can add the Metropole Challenge Cup to his tally.

At Bath, Dick Hern's Cerise Bouquet looks an attractive wager to lift the Klix Drinks Stakes. This Mummy's Pet filly was backed with confidence to make a winning debut in the Cucumber Stakes at Goodwood, but failed by a length to contain the more experienced Single Love.

Hern also runs Longboat in the Bristol Maiden Stakes, but this colt was totally outpaced when last in the White Rose Stakes at Ascot, behind Kirmann, and I prefer the chance of Peter Walwyn's Sirundy who was a close-up fourth behind the Derby hope, Mighty Flutter, at Newbury last month.

Stan Mellor's Whiskey Eyes, winner of his last two races, is expected to carry on the good work in the Monkton Farleigh Handicap and Manimstar could be the solution to the tricky Link Paper Handicap. Charlie Nelson, the Lambourn trainer, is strongly represented at Edinburgh with four runners, and he could pull off a double with Powder Puff (6.30) and Dimitri (8.30). Ben Hanbury should be on the mark with Serraj.

BATH

GOING: good

Draw: Low numbers best

2.0 PULTENEY SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £884: 5f 167yd) (10 runners)

1	000	BOOTLE JACK (Mrs J Crawford) J Holt 8-11	J Matthias	7
2		BULLROARER (H Williams) D H Jones 8-11	NON-RUNNER	9
5	0004	RAS-EL-TIN PALACE (B) (P Desai) A Pitt 8-11	B Rouse	1
6		ROYAL BEAR (E Monaghan) J Bradley 8-11	T Williams 5	5
7		SUDAN PARK (M Kings) M Salaman 8-11	J Williams	2
8		TAXI METER (Mrs E Guest) W Guest 8-11	E Guest 5	10
9		THAT WOULD BE NICE (Miss G Cox) R Hoad 8-11	R Curant	3
10		FIRST MEMBER (Mrs J Giles) D Wintle 8-8	D Dineley	4
11	00	LADY KATIE (J Bradley) J Bradley 8-8	–	8
14	042	RACINE CITY (Mrs M Hanley) R Hannon 8-8	Pat Eddery	6

1983: (Non Seller) Signalman 9-0 W Newnes (3-1) H Candy 8 ran.

6-4 Racine City, 5-2 Ras-El-Tin Palace, 7-2 Bootle Jack, 6 That Would Be Nice, 10 First Member.

Bath selections

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2.0 Racine City. 2.30 Cerise Bouquet. 3.0 Manimstar. 3.30 Sascerole. 4.0 Sirundy. 4.30 Whiskey Eyes.

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2.0 Tax Meter. 3.0 Dunant. 3.30 Mistrial. 4.0 Without. 4.30 Taelios.

2.30 KLIX DRINKS STAKES (2-y-o: £2,550: 5f 167yd) (19)

3	443	ANDI ALJA (Mrs R Wraford) P Mitchell 8-11	R McGhin	15
4		APRIL FOOL (T Vignoles) J Tree 8-11	Pat Eddery	18
5		BUTTS BAY (Butt Kelson Holdings) J Old 8-11	S Keightley	19
6	0	CAN U AFFORD IT (R Popely) D H Jones 8-11	B Crossley	7
7	0	CIARA'S LAD (Mrs P Long) D H Jones 8-11	T Williams 5	14
9		DR NAEEM (Fast Racing Ltd) P Cole 8-11	S Cauthen	5
10	021	DUCK FLIGHT (R Dundson) J Douglas-Home 8-11	J Johnson	1
12		JOHNNIE DIVER (Mrs S Coates) G Lewis 8-11	G Sexton	17
13		KENTUCKY QUEST (Mrs B Davis) R Hannon 8-11	L Jones 7	13
15	033	LAKE HAMILTON (A Richards) D Hanley 8-11	–	4
16	0	LEAN STREAK (Mrs F Barton) D Elsworth 8-11	B Rouse	12
17	433	MASTER FRANCIS (Mrs P Ramus) M Blanshard 8-11	N Adams 7	10
18	0	MASTER JOHNY (Mrs M Charalambous) M Francis 8-11	Paul Eddery	8
19	0	MOSS EMPIRE (Mrs H Beaufort) R Hannon 8-11	R Wernham	11
20	3	NIPPON RIVA (W Gaff) D Laing 8-11	P Cook	3
22	2	CERISE BOUQUET (BF) (Lord Porchester) W Hern 8-8	W Carson	6
25		ROGERS PRINCESS (R Smith) M Tate 8-8	R Street	16
27	0	THE REDDINGS (R Barnes) D Wintle 8-8	D Dineley	9
28	40	YULI (W Arnott) B Swift 8-8	R Fox	2

1983: Captain Singleton 9-4 G Starkey (evens fav) G Harwood 8 ran.

5-4 Cerise Bouquet, 7-2 April Fool, 5 Andi Alja, 8 Nippon Riva, 10 Master Francis, 12 Duck Flight, 16 others.

3.0 LINK PAPER HANDICAP (£2,704: 5f 167yd) (15)

1	03-1021	BERNARD SUNLEY (B) (B Sunley & Sons) G Hunter 5-10-1 (7 ex)	Pat Eddery	13
2	000d03-	ARDROX LAD (H E Sheikh H Al Nahayan) M Blanshard 4-8-10	N Adams 7	12
4	0000-24	MANIMSTAR (B) (S Brewer) P Makin 4-9-7	S Cauthen	6
5	10321-0	FERRYMAN (W Plummer) D Elsworth 8-9-6	B Rouse	15
7	100-300	DUNANT (W Gredley) C Brittain 3-9-8	W Carson	14
8	404/0-0	TORREY (B) (Maj W Hern) W Hern 5-9-0	T Sparke 7	8
9	200-010	LOCHTILLUM (C) (J Douglas-Home) J Douglas-Home 5-8-8	J Johnson	10
12	0000-00	FATTY'S CHOICE (B) (R Upton) G Balding 4-8-5	J Matthias	9
13	00-0000	YANGTSE-KIANG (B) (E Hayward) J Bradley 4-8-1	J Williams	3
15	0000-00	MANCHESTERSKYTRAIN (P Bowditch) L Cottrell 5-7-7	R Street	11
16	000	HIGH EAGLE (J Parkman) R Holder 4-7-7	M Fozzard 7	2
17	400-300	FROGMOOR (S Mason) J Bosley 3-7-7	L Jones 7	7
19	00-0004	LORD SCRAP (CD) (B Swift) B Swift 8-7-7	R Fox	4
20	00/0	UNLIMITED (Intercraft) M McCourt 5-7-7	J McLean 7	1
22	10000-0	KATHLEEN'S MONEY (B) (R Jones) P Haynes 4-7-7	T Williams 5	5

1983: Little Starchy 5-8-11 R Fox (6-1) J O'Donoghue 14 ran.

3 Bernard Sunley, 7-2 Ferryman, 9-2 Manimstar, 6 Dunant, Torrey, 8 Lochtillum, 12 Ardrox Lad, 14 others.

3.30 MILBOURNE MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o: £1,578: 5f) (16)

		GHAZGOUZ (Hillfields Farming) E Witts 9-0	D Moss	6
2	00000-	GHAZGOUZ (Hillfields Farming) E Witts 9-0		
3	40	GODS SOLUTION (Marketing Solutions) C Spares 9-0	B Crossley	7
4		GOLD SAINT (R Forrester) G Balding 9-0	J Williams	10
5	230-320	HIS DREAM (BF) (B) (Fast Racing Ltd) P Cole 9-0	Pat Eddery	2
6	0-	INDIAN SAHIB (D Scott) G Hunter 9-0	B Thomson	9
8	00-	MR COPPER (B Smith) C Spares 9-0	W Goldsborough 7	12
9	4	NATIVE RULER (A Richards) C Austin 9-0	R Wernham	3
13	0-0	DOWNTOWN FOXY (G Gout) D Ringer 8-11	P D'Arcy	15
14	0-0	JESSAM (R Hicks) R Simpson 8-11	R Weaver	11
15	00-	KUWAIT TAXI (Sheik Fahad) G Huffer 8-11	M Miller	1
16	0003-0	LEONA STAR (M Christodolou) M Francis 8-11	Paul Eddery	14
17	404-00	MAKE ME HAPPY (Miss A Westerdick) J Holt 8-11	J Matthias	4
18	004-000	MINSTRELS SHOE (J Watson) M McCourt 8-11	R Fox	5
19	0-	MISTRIAL (D McIntyre) A Hide 8-11	R Curant	8
20	00-0	PICKLED PEACHES (R Bonnycastle) B Hills 8-11	S Cauthen	13
22	03-4020	SASCEROLE (C Young) M Usher 8-11	W Carson	16

1983: Stereos 8-7 J McLean (20-1) H Candy 13 ran.

15-8 Pickled Peaches, 11-4 His Dream, 4 Sascerole, 7 Indian Sahib, 10 Minstrels Shoe, 12 Kuwait Taxi, 14 others.

FORM: HIS DREAM (9-0) 9th beaten 7¾l to Mendick Adventure (8-11 21 ran. Thirsk 5f mdn stks firm May 12. GODS SOLUTION (9-0) 19 ran. Newmarket 7f mdn stks good to firm Apr 19. NATIVE RULER (8-8) 4th beaten 3½l to Brown Taw (8-1) 17 ran. Chepstow 5f sell stks good May 28. DOWNTOWN FOXY (8-11) 5th beaten 5½l to Longcross (9-0) 15 ran. Nottingham 6f mdn stks firm Apr 23. JESSAM (7-11) not in first 9 to The Targe (8-7) 14 ran. Brighton 1m sell stks good to firm May 15. LEONA STAR (8-6) not in first 9 to Mele-El-Reem (8-11) 11 ran. Salisbury 7f stks good Apr 7. MAKE ME HAPPY (8-10) 5th beaten 9½l to Far Too Young (8-10) 17 ran. Kempton 6f stks good May 7. PICKLED PEACHES (8-11) 5th beaten 13½l to Don Martino (9-0) 17 ran. Newmarket 6f mdn stks good to firm Apr 17.
Selection: PICKLED PEACHES

4.0 BRISTOL MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o: £1,731: 1m 3f 150yd) (19)

		EPOUVILLE (A Clore) B Hills 9-0	S Cauthen	13
2	0	KING HARRY (Mrs A Kidd) N Vigors 9-0	P Cook	7
3	0003	LIMIN (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 9-0	R Fox	9
4	000	LONGBOAT (R Hollingsworth) W Hern 9-0	W Carson	10
5	2-30	MISTER FEATHERS (Mrs M Forde) J King 9-0	T Rogers	18
6	00-0	MISTER KRUDGER (C Blackwell) R Hannon 9-0	L Jones 7	12
7	040-	MORE TENDER (Guinea Grill Stakes) I Wardle 9-0	–	16
8	0-0	NICELY NICELY (Mrs J Benjamin) S Mellor 9-0	M Wigham	6
9	0-0	NON NOBIS (Gulling Stud Ltd) P Cole 9-0	NON-RUNNER	4
10	0-00	QUICKSTEP (M Simmonds) C Brittain 9-0	P Bradwell	2
13	000-6	SANTELLA PAL (J Boswell) L Cottrell 9-0	J Williams	1
15	0	SIRUNDY (P Goulandris) P Walwyn 9-0	J Mercer	19
16	04	SPECIAL SETTLEMENT (P Nelson) G Hunter 9-0	Pat Eddery	15
17	0000-00	SPRING PURSUIT (Conley Properties) P Cole 9-0	T Quinn 3	11
18	0-0000	THE MOOCHE (W Crabtree) D Elsworth 9-0	B Rouse	14
19	000-00	TYPO (B) (R Entenmann) R Houghton 9-0	Paul Eddery	5
21	00-003	WITHOUT (P Meredew) R Boss 9-0	E Guest 5	8
22	0	CELERITAS (R Buckley) C Nelson 8-11	J Johnson	3
26	00-	TWO CHANCES (Mrs P Slawson) J Bethell 8-11	J Matthias	17
34	0			

1983: Civility 8-11 P Eddery (4-6 fav) J Tree 17 ran.

9-4 Longboat, 3 Epouville, 4 Sirundy, 6 Limin, 8 King Harry, 12 Quickstep, 16 others.

FORM: LONGBOAT (8-8) not in first 8 to Kirmann (8-8) 12 ran. Ascot 1m 2f stks firm May 2. TYPO (9-0) 3rd beaten 1¾l to Nearly A Nose (9-0) 17 ran. Leicester 1m 2f stks good to soft May 28. EPOUVILLE (9-0) 8th beaten 13½l to Face Facts (9-0) 19 ran. Newbury 1m 3f mdn stks good May 19. KING HARRY (8-11) 3rd beaten 8¾l and MISTER FEATHERS (8-11) and MORE TENDER (8-11) not in first 8 of 16. Windsor 1m 2f stks good May 21. SPRING PURSUIT (8-11) 5th beaten 22½l to Braka (9-0) with NICELY NICELY (8-11) not in first 9 of 23. Windsor 1m 2f stks good May 14. SIRUNDY (9-0) 4th beaten 4l to Mighty Flutter (9-0) with NON NOBIS (8-11) 7th beaten 11l 20 ran. Newbury 1m 3f stks good May 19. THE MOOCHE (9-0) 6th beaten 8l to Torwar (9-0) 24 ran. Goodwood 1m mdn stks good May 24. WITHOUT (8-6) not if first 9 to Bishop's Ring (9-0) 16 ran. CELERITAS (8-11) not in first 11 to Katies (8-11) 20 ran. Lingfield 7f 140yd mdn stks good to soft Oct 14.
Selection: SIRUNDY

4.30 MONKTON FARLEIGH HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,236: 1m 5f 12yd) (15)

		ANCIENT MARINER (R Crutchley) R Houghton 9-7	S Cauthen	14
2	0000-03	CARNET DE DANSE (BF) (Col F Hue-Williams) J Dunlop 9-6	W Carson	10
3	43-40	DEVIL'S ARROW (L Holliday) H Candy 9-6	T Williams 5	2
4	0-00	WHISKEY EYES (S Glass) S Mellor 9-6 (6 ex)	M Wigham	4
5	00-0013	TAELOS (Mrs J Van Geest) A Stewart 9-3	B Rouse	8
7	000-23	DOMINATE Mrs S Williams) P Mitchell 9-3	W Ryan 5	11
8	00-0012	PARAMOUNT (T Waterman) D Sasse 8-13	Pat Eddery	1
9	000-30	MAC'S OUR MINE (Mac's Garages Ltd) J Old 8-11	S Keightley	9
10	000-0	MEGIDDO (K Bethel) R Boss 8-11	P Cook	15
11	000	ARIBIAN (Mrs S Davenport) Mrs S Davenport 8-11	–	3
12	000-000	VELVET EXPRESS (Gulling Stud Ltd) P Cole 8-11	T Quinn 3	13
13	00-0	RAGINDA (D Myers) M Haynes 8-9	R Fox	6
14	000-01	CORALLIAN (T Kane) C Wildman 8-3	–	7
16	00-4000	LITTLE TOWN FLIRT (C Wright) D Laing 8-3	B Crossley	5
17	00-0	REDWOOD CHEVALIER (L Woodhouse) R Griffiths 7-8	M Fozzard 7	12
18	000-000			

1983: Jowoody 9-2 T Quinn (85-40 fav) R Sturdy 8 ran.

5-2 Whiskey Eyes, 7-2 Carnet De Danse, 9-2 Ancient Mariner, 6 Dominate, 8 Taelos, 10 Devil's Arrow, 12 Raginda, 16 others.

FORM: ANCIENT MARINER (8-3) 3rd beaten 4½l to Lineman (8-4) 18 ran. Ripon 1m 4f mdn stks good to firm May 22. CARNET DE DANSE (8-11) 6th beaten 7l to Enchanted Castle (9-6) 11 ran. Brighton 1m 2f stks good to firm May 16. WHISKEY EYES (8-5) won 2½l from Humberside Lady (7-5) 12 ran. Leicester 1m 2f h'cap good May 29. TAELOS (8-8) 3rd beaten 1½l nk to Bishops Ring (8-11) with PARAMOUNT (8-4) 5th beaten 5l 15 ran. Ripon 1m 4f h'cap good to firm May 23. VELVET EXPRESS (8-11) not in first 9 to Heartfelt (8-11) 14 ran. Salisbury 1m 4f stks firm May 8. RAGINDA (8-8) won 7l from Knights Heir (8-11) 15 ran. Kempton 1m 4f sell stks good May 7. LITTLE TOWN FLIRT (8-4) 7th beaten over 37l to Crazy (9-0) 9 ran. Bath 1m 3f 150yd stks good to firm Apr 30. DOMINATE (7-2) 2nd beaten ¾l to Van Dyke Brown (9-11) 10 ran. Sandown 1m 6f h'cap soft May 28.
Selection: TAELOS

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HORIZONS

The Times guide to career choice

Jobs fairs come back to life

Suddenly graduates are in demand again. Iris Rosier discusses the recruiting boom

At the beginning of the year, employers were still dithering about whether they needed to recruit graduate trainees. Some withdrew from their commitment to interview students on campus in the milk-round, on a spring recruitment exercise.

Suddenly the graduate job market has acquired a new buoyancy, and in occupational areas which were depressed a few months ago. As a result employers are busily booking stands at summer recruitment fairs in greater mumbers than for some years.

The fairs are organized by university careers services to enable employers to meet students immediately after they have completed their final examinations and have time to devote to job-finding.

Surprising number seek space

The student grapevine has it that the employers attend merely as a public relations exercise. They expect to see the same chartered accountancy firms and electronic engineering companies who have been advertising for months. The careers advisers are impressed by the range of employers who wish to participate. Bradford Unversity, which pioneered the fairs some thirteen years ago, has been able to provide 80 stands for a good variety of employers.

Brian Steptoe, director of London University Carreers Service, has been very surprised by the numbers of companies asking for space before any invitations had been sent out. Jean Rampton, of Reading University, has had bookings from employers who have never previously approached the service of graduates.

It is very unusual for space at the fairs to be completely filled five weeks before the event. Some careers services have already started to compile a reserve list of companies so that their opportunities can be circulated to students.

Why is there a need for such an exercise? Thin milk-round timetables created gloom in students at the end of 1983. They were unwilling to jeopardize their chances of a good degree by spending long hours on completing detailed application forms. Many hoped to continue their academic studies or take postgraduate training courses. In the event, students with good degrees may have failed to find a bursary or award in the intense competition for funding. They are just some of the students that the employers are hoping will attend the fairs.

Structured interviews

Plans are being finalized at the University of London for 3,000 student visitors. They are also offering companies facilities for organizing structured interviews with students on any day in the week of the fair. The London jamboree has a reputation for being crowded, so quiet rooms are being made available for companies and students who did not book additional space. Reading is making similar facilities available.

The fairs are being held in nine towns and cities throughout Britain. Edinburgh starts the programme with a two-day event on June 12 and 13. During the following four weeks, fairs are being organized at the universities of Aston, Bradford, Bristol, Glasgow, London, Manchester, Nottingham and Reading.

Long list of vacancies

Students who are still unplaced should go to their nearest graduate careers advisory service and ask for *Current Vacancies 2*, which carries details of all the fairs. It also contains the longest list of vacancies that has been circulated to students for a very long time.

Students who are interested in an employer can write now to book an interview time, and they can choose any fair. One small campus university which arranged a small fair several years ago was amazed to find visitors from Aberdeen and the West country travelling down to the Home Counties.

And for those who are planning to fly off on a well earned holiday after their exertions, careers services organize a mutual aid programme throughout the long vacation for any student living in their area.

NEWSROUND

Recruiting snag for Whitehall

The long-standing problem which the Civil Service has encountered in recruiting suitably qualified graduates is now resulting in key posts remaining unfilled. The service's annual report shows that increasingly stiff competition from other employers has caused shortages of graduates qualified in electronics, computing, mechanical engineering, operational research and mathematics.

As a result, only 75 per cent of the service's vacancies were filled last year, compared with 90 per cent in 1982.

The report also showed that a large number of candidates were withdrawing after being offered positions, and pointed to low pay and prospects as the main cause.

Scottish graduates seem to have faced more problems than most in finding employment during the early 1980s. Recent statistics show that only 49 per cent of the 9,000 students who graduated from Scottish universities in 1982 found permanent work that year, compared with 51 per cent in 1977. Of the graduates who chose to remain in Scotland, 15 per cent are unemployed, compared with 11 per cent of all graduates.

Predictably, science graduates found it easier than arts graduates to find employment in the public sector and industry, while arts graduates had the edge in commercial and overseas fields. Just under a third of Scottish graduates chose to defer the problem of finding work by opting for further full-time study.

Two new publications from Kogan Page this month will be of interest to school leavers and those they turn to for advice.

An A-Z of Careers and Jobs, edited by Diane Burston, is a comprehensive guide, providing basic information on a very wide range of occupations. The entries give details of the responsibilities in each occupation, the educational and personaal qualities required, the starting salary and where to go for further information.

They cover careers which require further or higher educational qualifications, but also those which do not require any formal qualifications. As well as traditional areas of employment, such as accountancy, hairdressing or secretarial work, the guide also covers more unusual occupations such as audiology, and croupiers naturopath.

Your First Job, by Anne Page, is a much-needed pointer for school-leavers entering the employment market for the first time. The book covers what social skills and qualities are required, human relations and attitudes to work, how to work out what you want from a job, how to cope with unemployment, what to do with your spare time, and what choices to make in your third year, if you are planning to continue your education.

It also provides practical information on the legal position regarding unemployment benefit, redundancy, trade union membership and training.

An A-Z of Careers and Jobs £5.95 (paperback) £8.95 (hardback) *Your First Job*. £3.50 (paperback) £8.95 (hardback). Both are available from Kogan Page Ltd, 120 Pentonville Road, London N1.

PERSONAL COLUMNS

...Before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear. Isaiah 65: 24

BIRTHS

BENNETT. – On May 26th to Susan and Andrew, a son, Barnaby Andrew James.

BOCOCK. – On May 17th, to Anne (nee Gaukroger) and Ian, a son, Marcus James.

DEBATTISTA. – On May 31st, to Maryann (nee De Gaetano) and Charles, a lovely daughter, Alison Claire. Many thanks to the wonderful staff of Princess Anne, Southampton.

DUNLOP. – On 31 May, at Portland Hospital to Sarah (née Secarsi) and Ross, a son, Alexander George.

FOX. – On 31st May to Richard and Veronica (nee Clegg), a brother for Timothy.

GRUNDBERG. – On 22nd May at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Lindy (nee Tupper) and Ian, a daughter, Lucy Elisabeth, a sister for Christopher.

HOLDSWORTH. On May 29th in Luxembourg, to Dottie (nee Lawley) and Dick, a daughter, Eliza Maud Horsburgh, sister to Lucy Barbara and half-sister to Joanna, Katie and David.

LESLIE. – On May 23rd, at the Westminster Hospital, to Philippa (nee Simpson), the wife of David Leslie, a son.

LONGMATE. – On 1 June, to Patricia and Richard, a son, Edward Henry John, a brother for Thomas.

MOIR. – On June 1st, to Diana (née Baird) and Jonathan, a son, a brother for Matthew. PO Box 218, Rocky Harbour, Newfoundland.

STONEHOUSE. – On May 31 at the Lindo wing St Mary's Paddington to Fiona (nee MacDonald) and Michael a daughter sister for Richard.

SUTTON. – On 23 May at Cambridge to Hilary and Peter, a daughter Annora Mary.

TRUE. – On 30 May, to Anne-Marie (nee Hood) and Nicholas, a son, Thomas Leo Richard, a brother for James.

BIRTHDAYS

FOUX-MELISSA Happy birthday and best wishes in your examinations, love from Mum, Dad and Herbie.

TO MY PAL – thinking of you at Sardis. Have a happy day today. Love Jamie.

MARRIAGES

GUBBINS-ADKINS. – On May 26th, at Holy Trinity Church, Little Ouseburn, Michael, son of the late Mr Rory Gubbins and Mrs J. Gubbins, to Rachael, daughter of Mr & Mrs Richard Adkins.

DEATHS

ABELSON. – On 2 June, peacefully Isador (Fruitcake) aged 97 years, much loved father of David and grandfather of Diana and Nicolas.

ANGUS. – On 1 June in hospital, Mountain Stilick, of The Red House, Compton, Winchester aged 92 loved husband of Gwen and dear father of Elizabeth, Ben and Jennifer. Funeral service at Compton Parish Church on Wednesday 6 June at 3pm. No flowers by request.

BAKER. – Alfreda Helen, F.R.C.S., on 1 June, 1984, peacefully at Evelyn hospital, Cambridge. Funeral service 7 June 1.30pm at Arkesden Church, Essex.

BOOTH-JONES On Saturday April 28, 1984, Mrs Margaret Wallace, widow of Major T. V. Booth-Jones D.L. Peacefully at Arundell's after a short illness. Funeral at St Marys Church, Hale, at 3pm. A memorial service will be held in Salisbury Cathedral later.

BOUSFIELD. – On 31st May, 1984, peacefully at the Old Vicarage, Moulsford, Oxford. Edith, Margaret Bousfield (née Kent), widow of Rear Admiral H. Bousfield.

BRIGG. – On June 1st, 1984, suddenly but peacefully at home. Gerald Walter George, dearly loved husband of Ines and much loved father of Diana and Gordon and adored "Oggie" to all his grandchildren. Funeral service at St Mary the Virgin, Hurley, near Maidenhead, at 2.15pm on Wednesday, June 6th, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only but if desired donations to British Heart Foundation, 102 Gloucester Place, London W1.

BURNS. – On 31st May, 1984, peacefully [illegible]

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ROBSON. – On May 31st, peacefully at St Raphael's, Vera of Moat Park Farm, Isfield, in her 82nd year, wife of Bryan Fairfax and mother of Sally. Funeral at 2.30 pm on Wednesday June 6th at St Mary the Virgin, Ringmer. Enquiries to Fuller & Scott, The Wakelyns, Uckfield 3241.

ROSE. Jack Rose (Uncle Jack or Udge), peacefully in his sleep in his sleep on 28th May following an illness. He was much loved by and will be missed by all who knew him. A private cremation will be held, no flowers please. Donations now or at the memorial service to be held in the summer to Ashburnham Christian Trust, Ashburnham, Sussex, or Motorneurone Disease Association, 38 Hazelwood Road, Northampton.

SHAPEERO. – On 29 May, Phyllis Mary, wife of the late Isidore Shapeero and mother of Jole, very peacefully at Bankside, Ditchling Common.

TITE – On June 1st, peacefully at home at the Castle Maughley, Suffolk. Arthur George beloved father of Felicity and Sarah, grandfather of James & Christopher, Ben and Sophie. Funeral service private enquiries to Fulcher, Bury St Edmunds. Tel: 4049.

WIGAN. – On Ascension day, peacefully in hospital Caroline Akers, aged 83, daughter of the late Laura and William Wigan of East Malling. Funeral at Newport Pagnell 1.15pm, Thursday, 7 June. No flowers. Requiem Mass at St Marks Church, Prince Albert Road on Tuesday, 12 June at 6.30pm.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

BOOTH-JONES. Thanksgiving for the life of Margaret Booth-Jones will be held in Salisbury Cathedral on Friday June 8 at 5.30pm.

BORRIE. – A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Dr Peter F. Borrie will be held on Wednesday, 6th June, 1984, at 12.30pm, in the Church of St Bartholomew-the-Less, West Smithfield, London, EC1.

KILBY – A remembrance service for Alan Kilby will be held at St Cuthbert's Church, Marton-in-Cleveland, Middlesbrough, Cleveland, on Friday June 8th at 2.30pm.

IN MEMORIAM

ACKERLEY. Joe Randolph, who died on the 4th June, 1967. Admiration and respect I have for you. J. R. Ackerley. I think the world of you. Remembered by Elizabeth M. Okang.

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BIRTHS

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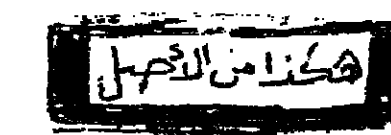
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6.00 Ceefax AM.

6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Fern Britton. News from Debbie Rix at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; sport at 6.40 and 7.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, and 8.15; television preview at 6.55; a review of the morning newspapers at 7.18 and 8.18; film and pop record reviews between 7.45 and 8.00; horoscopes at 8.35; 'phone-in financial advice between 8.30 and 9.00

9.00 Gardeners' World. Geoff Hamilton and Clay Jones at Barnsdale with advice for gardeners in June (shown last Friday). 9.25 Praise Be! with Thora Hird (Ceefax titles page 170) (shown yesterday). 10.00 Ceefax. 10.15 Play School, presented by Ben Bazell (r).

10.40 International Cricket from Lord's. The third and final match between England and the West Indies for the Texaco Trophy. 12.50 Interval.

1.00 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. 1.17 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles).

1.20 International Cricket. Further coverage from Lord's of the final Texaco Trophy game between England and the West Indies (continues on BBC2). 3.53 Regional news (not London).

3.55 Play School, presented by Jane Hardy. 4.20 All New Popeye Show. 4.40 Lassie. An animated adventure entitled A New Horizon. 5.00 John Craven's Newsround.

5.05 Blue Peter. Simon Groom goes behind the scenes at the British Museum and meets the head of a 5,000 year old mummified man. Simon's visit coincides with the publication of a British Museum book for children pointing out the pick of the museum's exhibits.

5.40 Sixty Minutes begins with news read by Frances Coverdale.

6.40 Cartoon. Tom and Jerry in Fraidy Cat.

6.50 Manimal. The first of a new series starring Simon MacCorkindale as Jonathan Chase, a professor of criminology with the ability to transform himself into any animal he chooses.

8.00 Points of View with Barry Took taking another dip into the BBC's postbag.

8.10 Panorama: The President's World. To coincide with President Reagan's arrival in London for international summit talks, Tom Mangold reviews how the President's foreign affairs policies differ from those of his predecessors.

9.00 News with Sue Lawley.

9.25 Film: The Friends of Eddie Coyle (1973) starring Robert Mitchum. Gangster movie with Mitchum playing an ageing hoodlum who betrays his colleagues in the hope of receiving a lighter sentence. Directed by Peter Yates.

11.00 Film: 84. Barry Norman reviews the Burt Reynolds/Julie Andrews film, The Man Who Loved Women and Bonnie Bedelia's Heart Like a Wheel. The location report is from Mexico where the adventure story Romancing the Stone is being filmed.

11.33 News headlines.

11.35 Inside YTS. The second programme in the series about the Youth Training Scheme in action (r).

12.00 Weather.

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Jayne Irving at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.33; financial advice at 6.45 and 8.45; exercises at 6.50 and 8.55; guests Jimmy Edwards and Douglas Fairbanks Jr at 7.40 and 8.15; astrology with Jeni Barnett at 8.20; Divorce and the book, Couples in Crisis, are discussed at 9.03.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames News headlines 9.30 For Schools: Cartoon version of Rossini's overture, The Thieving Magpie. 9.47 Learning to read with Basil Brush. 9.58 A visit to the Ironbridge Gorge Museum. 10.11 Basic Maths: Rules. 10.31 A Day in May. 11.00 Documentary. Mr Lowry. 11.22 The importance of Copenhagen. 11.41 The shipbuilding skills of the Vikings.

12.00 Gammon and Spinach. Valerie Pitts reads the story of Mr Bill and the Runaway Sausages. 12.10 Let's Pretend to the story of The Sun Who Forgot to Set. 12.30 Homework. Paul Young and Pamela Donald with advice for external house maintenance.

1.00 News with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 Thames news from Robin Houston. 1.30 Vintage Quiz. The first of a new series of lighthearted quizzes presented by Fred Dinenage.

2.00 Film: Busman's Honeymoon* (1940) starring Robert Montgomery as Lord Peter Wimsey and Constance Cummings as his fiancée, Harriet Vane. After declaring that they will leave detection to the professionals the upper-class sleuths stumble upon a new mystery. Directed by Arthur B. Woods. 3.50 Cartoon Time.

4.00 Gammon and Spinach. A repeat of the programme shown at noon. 4.15 Dangermouse (r). 4.20 The Incredible Hulk. 4.45 Dramarama: Dodger, Bonzo and the Rest (Oracle titles page 170).

5.15 Gambit. Quiz game.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with the introductory programme of a two-week series on Housing Estates.

6.35 Crossroads. Sarah Alexander asks Paul Ross to her chalet while Sid Hooper tries again to convince his wife not to go through with the divorce proceedings.

7.00 What's My Line? Odd occupations have to be deciphered from a quick bit of mime.

7.30 Coronation Street. Will Mavis pass her driving test? (Oracle titles page 170).

8.00 Brass. The obsequious George Fairchild re-discovers his sex drive (Oracle titles page 170).

8.30 World in Action: South Africa's Other Leader. A documentary about the jailed-for-life black nationalist leader, Nelson Mandela.

9.00 The Sweeney. Was Regan responsible for the ruptured kidney of a suspect he was questioning?

10.00 News.

10.30 Des O'Connor Now! Music and conversation on the stage of London's Royalty Theatre.

11.30 The Timeless Land. Australian pioneering drama serial.

12.25 Night Thoughts from Chaim Bermant who talks about the Jewish festival of Shavuot.

CHOICE

Sarah Brown: Vegetarian Kitchen (BBC2, 7.45pm)

● This is the first of six Black Mondays for your local butcher. And there could be even worse to come during the rest of the week as the full, disastrous effects of Sarah Brown's six-part cookery series VEGETARIAN KITCHEN (BBC 2, 7.45) are felt.

Miss Brown is as healthy, radiant and enthusiastic young lady as you will find in the carvery of any restaurant on any day of the week. She is the best advertisement for a meatless diet that I have yet seen.. My photograph will confirm that. I only wish I could also show you pictures of the highly photogenic dishes she prepares tonight: stuffed courgettes that are little boats carrying cargoes of sheer delight; spinach and mushroom lasagne to set you mouth a-watering; and a cashew paella that will hit the fishmonger just as surely as the other receipes will hit the butcher. Guest artistes being *de riguer* these days, Miss Brown gets one. She is Kate O'Mara, actress and fellow vegetarian, who makes a prickly green salad that is neither green nor prickly. It must be healthier than the three helpings of Christmas Pudding that Miss O'Mara manages to tuck away into slim frame every Yuletide.

● You will have to wait for the closing seconds of CHILE'S FORBIDDEN DREAMS (BBC 2, 9.30) for an answer to the question that will keep flashing through your mind like a lighthouse: how does an oppressive regime like Chile's allow the survival of a theatre group like ICTUS that combats fear with art and preaches that truth is what you are told?

● PARADISE GARDEN ATTAINED (Radio 4, 8.15pm) Douglas Slater's play about Delius's early days in Bohemian Paris, marks the 50th anniversary of the composer's death. It is seriously flawed by Charles Dance's over-emphatic performance as Delius, by some unnatural-sounding dialogue, and by music (Delius's but annachronistic) that fades into, and out of, the action when there is no need for it. But the play has its plusses. Anna Massey, as Jelka Rosen, Delius's future wife, is one of them. And it locates the well-spring which fed the rivers of beautiful music that were later to flow from the composer's pen.

Peter Davalle

BBC 2

6.05 Open University: The Wave-Particle Paradox. 6.30 Oceanography: The Tay Estuary. 6.55 Maths: Catastrophe Theory. 7.20 Lavas of Etna. 7.45 Discovering Chemistry. Ends at 8.10.

9.00 Ceefax.

9.15 Daytime on Two: The first vital months in the life of a baby. 9.38 Looking for work. 10.00 An introduction to the numbers 2 and 4. For the very young. 10.15 Animals of South America featured in the musical The Evening Star. 10.38 David Bellamy traces the impact of the motor car on society. 11.00 Athletic animals. 11.23 Part four of the serial Capricorn Game. 11.42 Statistics: Simulation. 12.04 Mindstretchers. 12.09 Ceefax.

1.30 Hokey Cokey. A See-saw programme for the very young (r). 1.45 Ceefax. 2.01 Words and pictures. 2.18 A Jamaican family's search for a better life in London. 2.40 For students taking courses in Secretarial and Office studies. 3.00 Ceefax.

3.50 International Cricket: Live coverage of the third and final match for the Texaco Trophy between England and the West Indies, introduced from Lord's by Peter West. The commentators are Richie Benaud, Jim Laker, Tom Graveney and Ted Dexter.

7.40 News summary with subtitles.

7.45 Vegetarian Kitchen. The first of a new series presented by Sarah Brown with suggestions for varied and tasty vegetarian dishes. The guest is Kate O'Mara who prepares her favourite salad (see Choice).

8.10 The Two Ronnies. Messrs Corbett and Barker with another selection of comic sketches. Their guests are singer Elaine Paige and, in the playlet, Mileaway, Patrick Troughton, April Walker and Patricia Brake (r).

9.00 Call My Bluff. Witty words from Arthur Marshall, Sheila Steafel, Francis Matthews, Frank Muir, Gabriel Drake and Bill Buckley.

9.30 Third Eye: Chile's Forbidden Dreams. The ICTUS Theatre Company's artistic directors expose the everyday arrests, tortures and murders that are part of life in Chile (see Choice).

10.20 International Cricket. Highlights of today's game at Lord's between England and the West Indies.

10.50 Newsnight. The latest world and domestic news.

11.35 The Greeks Have a Word for it. The second of two films about modern day Greece (r).

12.05 Open University: The 19th-century novel: What Maisie Knew. 12.30 Community Order. 12.55 The Standards Debate: Part 2. Ends at 1.25.

CHANNEL 4

5.00 Countdown. Brian Hudson, the winner of the past four games is challenged by freelance journalist Tony Rand. Richard Whiteley is the quick-fire questionmaster, assisted by Ned Sherrin.

5.30 Jeopardy. Derek Hobson presents another edition of the back-to-front quiz game. Mr Hobson provides the answers and the competitors have to reply with the questions.

6.00 The ABA Junior Championships 1984. Highlights from the 20 bouts that make up the finals of the championships. Alan Minter was at the Wembley Conference Centre and talked to some of the competitors and also to their parents who included former boxer Wally Swift.

6.30 Numbers at Work. Mathematical problems made simple by the fluent Fred Harris. In tonight's programme he takes a second look at addition and subtraction and at the importance of recognizing numbers. The documentary film illustrating practical use of everyday maths comes from a hospital and a shirt factory (r).

7.00 Channel Four News includes a report from Nicholas Owen who has been trying to find out whether or not economic summits achieve anything.

7.50 Comment. With his view on a matter of topical importance is Gerhard Fitzthum, a supporter of the German "Green" party.

8.00 Scully. Episode four of the adventures of Alan Bleasdale's young Liverpudlian hero, Franny Scully. It's Friday night and Scully is out on the town with his mates. First they find themselves in the police station and then, on release, at a seance where Mooey makes his presence felt.

8.30 Man About the House. Comedy series about an unusual menage a trois with, this week, Robin finding himself attracted to flat-mate Chrissy. Will the presence of Jo dampen Robin's ardour?

9.00 Africa. The fifth of Basil Davidson's history of the vast continent tells the story of the first Europeans to foray inland. It was said that they travelled with the Bible in one hand and a gun in the other.

10.00 Film: Darkest England (1984) starring Mark Wing-Davey. A drama documentary that examines the attitudes of Victorians to sex, poverty and idealism. Directed by Michael Eaton.

11.05 People to People. From the picket line and a South Yorkshire mining community, striking miners and their families give their views on the dispute between the Coal Board and the NUM.

11.50 Closedown.

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing; Weather.
6.10 Farming Weekly from the South East. 6.25 Shipping Forecast.
6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 Today's News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.35 The Week on 4. A look ahead.
8.43 Glyn Worsnip in the BBC Sound Archives. 8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Start the Week with Melvyn Bragg, and studio guests†.
10.00 News; Money Box.
10.30 Morning Story: "The Amorous Ghost" by Enid Bagnold. Read by David Ashford.
10.45 Daily Service†.
11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way visits Padstow, Cornwall (r).
11.48 Poetry Please! Read by Christopher Scott and Isabel Dean. Presented by Alan Brownjohn.
12.00 News; You and Yours. Consumer advice.
12.27 It Makes Me Laugh. With Simon Hoggart and John Dunn. 12.55 Weather; Programme News.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour.
3.00 Afternoon Theatre: The Trade of Man. With Nigel Davenport and Isabel Dean. The story of a German who joins the staff of a language school at an English seaside resort, run by a war hero.
4.30 English Now. A weekly programme about the English language. With David Crystal.
4.40 Story Time: "Laughing Gas" by P G Wodehouse. Abridged in 13 parts (1). The reader is David McAlister.
5.00 PM: News Magazine. 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather; Programme News.
6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial Report.
6.30 I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue, with Willie Rushton, Graeme Garden, and Barry Cryer†.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Science Now. Peter Evans reports from the 150th Annual Meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science
7.50 Waterlines. Cliff Michelmore in a series about events and sporting activities taking place in, on or under the water.
8.15 The Monday Play "Paradise Garden Attained" by Douglas Slater.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Art Magazine.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime.
10.30 The World Tonight, including 11.00 News Headlines.
11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News.
12.10 Weather.
12.15 Close Shipping Forecast.
England: VHF as above except: 6.25-6.30am Weather; Travel 10.45-12.00 For Schools: 10.45 Que Tal? 11.00 Music Makers. 11.20 Let's Move. 11.40 Science Games. 11.50 Poetry Corner. 1.55-2.00pm Listening Corner. 2.00-3.00 For Schools: 2.00 Playtime 2.15 Introducing Science. 2.35 Notice Board 2.40 Listening to Music. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.30-12.00 Open University. 11.30 Language and Personal Statement. 11.50 Music Interlude. 12.30-1.10 School night-time Broadcasting: Voix de France (21 & 22)

Radio 3

6.55 Weather. 7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: part one. Vivaldi's Concerto in D for lute and strings, RV 93 (Julian Bream Consort); Schubert's Der Wanderer (Fischer-Dieskau, baritone; Brendel, piano); Haydn's Piano Trio in D (H XV 7); and Mozart's Symphony No 25.†8.00 News.
8.05 Morning Concert: part two. Bridge's Tone Poem Summer; Rachmaninov's Variations on a theme of Corelli (Ashkenazy, piano); and Saint-Saens's Cello Concerto (Jacqueline Du Pré/New Philharmonia).†9.00 News.
9.05 This Week's Composer: Vaughan Williams. The Fantasia on a theme by Thomas Tallis; the Motet O vos omnes; the Mass in G minor.†
10.00 Beethoven: Stephen Savage (piano) in a recital that includes the Allegretto in C minor (WoO 53); the Rondo in C, Op 51 No 1; and the Klavierstucke in B flat (WoO 60).†
10.40 Ginette Neveu: She plays Brahms's Violin Concerto with the North German Radio SO, with Schmidt-Isserstedt conducting.
11.25 Warlock and Finzi: recital by Peter Savidge (baritone), with David Owen Norris, as accompanist.
11.55 BBC Welsh SO: with Stephen Roberts (baritone). Alun Hoddinott's The Voyagers, Op 75; and Rachmaninov's Symphony No 1.†1.00 News.
1.05 BBC Lunchtime Concert: Elisabeth Leonskaja (piano) plays Schumann's Faschingsschwank aus Wien; and Mussorgsky's Pictures from an Exhibition.†
2.10 Music Weekly.
3-00 New Records: Grofé's Mississippi Suite (Royal Philharmonic); Strauss's Des Dichters Abendgang (Jerusalem, tenor, and Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra) Ravel's String Quartet in F (Chilingirian Quartet); and Mahler's Symphony No 4 (Chicago SO, with Kiri te Kanawa, soprano).†4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another of Jeremy Siepmann's selections
6.30 Music for Organ: Philip Sawyer on the organ at Reid Concert Hall, University of Edinburgh.
7.00 Early Walton: The overture Plymouth Point, played by the Philharmonia; and William Primrose is the soloist in the Viola Concerto (with the Philharmonia).
7.30 Bath Festival 1984: Recital. Part one. Direct from the Theatre Royal. Stuttgart Piano Trio play Beethoven's Piano Trio in D, Op 71 No 1 (The Ghost); and Smetana's Piano Trio in G minor, Op 15.†
8.25 Vico in his Time: The Italian philosopher's relation to the culture of Naples in the 18th century.
8.45 Bath Festival: recital. Part two. Schubert's Piano Trio in E flat, D 929.†
9.40 My Merry Mornings: Alan Dobie reads the second of six short stories by Ivan Klima.
10.05 Late Walton: Cleveland Orchestra, under Szell, play the Variations on a theme by Hindemith.†
10.30 Jazz Today: Earth Huse, presented by Charles Fox.†
11.15 News. Until 11.18
Medium frequency/medium wave As VHF above except: 10.40am-7.30pm Cricket: The Third Texaco Trophy One-Day International from Lord's between England and West Indies. 12.50 Lunchtime News. 12.55 "The Great Match" – England v West Indies, Lord's 1963. 1.15 County Scores.
VHF Open University: 6.15-6.55am. 6.15 Measuring Delta H. 6.35 The Ghent Altarpiece. 11.20-12.00pm. 11.20 Second Order Response. 11.40 Understanding Chemistry.

Radio 2

News on the hour. Major bulletins: 7.00am, 8.00, 1.00pm, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight. Headlines: 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 (mf/mw).
4.00am Colin Berry†. 5.30 Ray Moore† incl 6.15 Pause for Thought. 7.30 Terry Wogan† incl 8.31 Racing Bulletins. 8.45 Pause for Thought. 10.00 Jimmy Young†. 12.00pm Steve Jones† incl 1.05; 2.02 Sports Desk. 2.05 Gloria Hunniford† incl 3.02 Sports Desk. 3.30 Music All The Way† incl 4.02 Sports Desk. 4.05 David Hamilton† incl 5.05; 6.02 Sports Desk. 6.05 John Dunn† incl 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (mf only). 7.30 Cricket Scores. 8.00 Alan Dell† with Dance Band Days and Big Band Era. 9.00 Humphrey Lyttelton† with The Best of Jazz. 9.55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Cast, in Order of Disappearance. A six-part thriller series starring Francis Matthews and Fiona Hendley. 3: Inside the Giant's Castle. 10.30 Star Sound with Nick Jackson and soundtrack requests. 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight). 1.00am Patrick Lunt presents nightride†. 3.00-4.00 Folk on 2 with Jim Lloyd†.

Radio 1

News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and at 12.00 midnight (mf/mw). 6.00am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Gary Davies, including 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Bruno Brookes. 4.30 Peter Powell, including 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 David Jensen. 10.00-12.00 John Peel†. VHF Radios 1 and 2: 4.00am With Radio 2. 10.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am With Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 6.30 Baker's Half Dozen. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty-Four Hours 7.30 Sarah and Company. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 Vilette. 8.30 Anything Goes. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review of the British Press. 9.15 Waveguide. 9.25 Good Books. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Music Now 10.15 Kenneth Matthews Looks Back. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 An Ice Cream War. 11.30 Omnibus. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Brain of Britain 1984 12.45 Sports Round-up 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours 1.30 Swinging Sixties 1.45 Too Many People. 2.30 Pageant of the Past. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Outlook. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 The Fosdyke Saga. 4.30 Kenneth Matthews Looks Back 8.00 World News. 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 Sports International. 9.00 Network UK. 9.15 An Ice-Cream War 9.30 Counterpoint. 10.00 World News. 10.09 The World Today. 10.25 Book Choice. 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Fosdyke Saga. 11.30 Brain of Britain 1984. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Too Many People. 1.15 Outlook. 1.45 Such Sweet Harmony. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review of the British Press. 2.15 Network UK. 2.30 Sports International. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 The World Today. 3.30 John Peel. 4.45 Financial News. 4.55 Reflections. 5.00 World News. 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours. 5.45 The World Today.
(All times in GMT)

BBC1 Wales: 1.17pm-1.20 News of Wales Headlines. 3.53-3.55 News of Wales Headlines. 5.55 Wales Today. 8.00-8.10 Party Election Broadcast. A (Plaid Cymru). 12.00 News and weather. Scotland: 1.15pm-1.20 The Scottish News. 5.55 Scotland: Sixty Minutes. 9.25-9.55 Double Bill. 9.55-10.25 Fanfare. 10.25-11.00 Shinty (Newtonmore v Kingussie). 12.00 News and weather. Northern Ireland: 1.17pm-1.20 Northern Ireland News. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 5.55 Scene Around Six. 12.00 News and weather. England: 5.55pm Regional News magazines. 12.05am Close.

GRANADA As London except: 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Film: The Burglars (Omar Sharif). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Sons and Daughters. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 The Sweeney. 11.30 Star Parade. 12.30 Closedown.

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GRAMPIAN As London except; starts 9.25 First Thing. 1.20 North News. 1.30 That's Hollywood. 2.00 Film: Beau Brummel (Stewart Granger). 6.00 North Tonight. 6.30-7.00 Database. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Film: Family Secrets. 12.30 North Headlines. 12.35 Closedown.

REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

CENTRAL As London except: 1.20 Central News. 1.30 Film: Beau Brummel (Stewart Granger). 3.30 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Newshound. 6.00 Central News. 6.30 Take 30. 9.00-1.00 Quincy. 10.35 Contrasts. 11.05 The 17th Annual Country Music Awards. 12.15 Contact. 12.30 Closedown.

BORDER As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: The Corsican Brothers (1940) (Douglas Fairbanks, Jr). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin. 6.00 Lookaround Monday. 6.15 Canon in the Kitchen. 6.30-7.00 Gambit. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Crown Green Bowls. 11.15 The Sweeney. 12.15am News. 12.18 Closedown.

TSW As London except: 1.20 TSW News Headlines. 1.30 Film: On The Beat (Norman Wisdom). 3.27 Gus Huneybun's Magic Birthdays. 3.30-4.00 Animals in Action. 5.15-5.45 Emerdale Farm. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-700 Sportsweek. 9.00-10.00 The Irish PM. 10.35 Film: The Hunting Party (1971). 12.25 Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20 Anglia News. 1.30 Film: Three Hats for Lisa (1984). 3.30 Whose Baby? 5.15 Joanie Loves Chachi. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.30 Diff'rent Strokes. 10.30 Anglia Reports. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 All Kinds of Country. 12.30 Personal Views. Closedown.

TVS As London except: Starts 9.25am-9.30 Farming Brief. 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: The Longest Day (Part 1). 3.00 In Exile. 3.30-4.00 Top Cop and the Kid. 5.15-5.45 The Young Doctors. 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast. 10.30 Who's for Europe. 11.00 Hill Street Blues. 12.00 Preview. 12.30am Company, Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 1.20pm News. 1.30 Film: They Who Dare (Dirk Bogarde). Followed by News. 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Vintage Quiz. 6.00-7.00 News. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Hill Street Blues. 11.30 25th Anniversary of the Marquee (Man). 12.30am Weather, Closedown.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 6.00pm-7.00 Wales at Six. 10.30-11.30 Body & Soul. 11.30-12.30am Hill Street Blues.

CHANNEL As London except: 1.20 Channel News. 1.30 The Monday Matinee. 3.15 Cartoon Time. 3.27 Puffin's Pla(i)ce. 3.30-4.00 Animals in Action. 5.15-5.45 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30-7.00 The Spice of Life. 9.00-10.00 The Irish RM. 10.34 Curtain Raiser. 10.40 Film: The Hunting Party. 12.25 News and Weather in French, closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: starts 9.25-9.30 North East News. 1.20 North East News. 1.30 Look Who's Talking. 2.00 Film: Behind The Curtain* (Richard Greene) (Spy drama). 3.30-4.00 Definition. 5.15-5.45 Just Our Luck. 6.00 North East News. 6.02 Gambit. 6.30-7.00 Northern Life. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.32 Briefing. 11.00 Film: A Place To Die. 12.15 Are You Sitting Comfortably? 12.20 Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: starts 9.25-9.30 Weather. 1.20 Calendar News. 1.30 Film: Madeleine* (Anne Todd). 3.30-4.00 Glenroe. 5.15-5.45 Silver Spoons. 6.00 Calendar. 6.30-7.00 It's a Vet's Life. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Calendar Commentary. 11.00 The Jackson Route. 12.00 Closedown.

SCOTTISH As London except: 1.20 Scottish News. 1.30 Film: A Day at the Races* (Marx Brothers). 3.30 Glenroe. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm. 6.00 Scotland Today. 6.30 Hear Here. 6.45-7.00 Crime Desk. 9.00-10.00 Quincy. 10.30 Studio. 11.12 Late Call. 11.25 The Mysteries of Edgar Wallace.* 12.20 Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 9.25-9.30 The Day Ahead. 1.20 Lunchtime. 1.30 Film: Scaramouche. Stewart Granger. 3.30 Whose Baby? 3.58 Ulster News. 5.15 Survival. 6.00 Good Evening Ulster. 6.30 The Spice of Life (Chillies). 9.30 Hotel. 10.30 A Prayer for the Province. 10.40 Hill Street Blues. 11.40 News.

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m; Radio 2: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m: VHF -90-92.5; Radio 4: 200kHz 1500m: VHF -92-95; LBC 1152kHz/261m; VHF 97.3; Capital: 1548kHz/194m: VHF 95.8; BBC Radio London 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; World Service MF 648kHz/463m.

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Poignant reunion for D-Day liberator and liberated

From Michael Horsnell
Pegasus Bridge, Normandy

Madame Thérèse Gondrée, the first Frenchwoman to be liberated when British airborne forces dropped into Normandy 40 years ago, opened her café doors yesterday, took the stooping, grey-haired Englishman who waited outside by the hand and led him into her parlour.

It is an annual ritual which the former French Resistance worker and Major John Howard perform at the Gondrée café beside Pegasus Bridge over the Caen canal at Bénouville.

This year's embrace was particularly poignant because Mme Gondrée, *une grand-mère nationale* of 83, is now a frail figure who does not expect to see many more reunions.

For once she was unable to accompany her liberator across the famous bridge over which was shot the first exchange of fire as Operation Overlord began.

Major Howard, now 71, was the commander of the *coup de main* ordered to take intact the two bridges over the canal and the parallel river Orne, 400 yards away.

At 00.16 on June 6, 1944, his Horsa glider, PF800, landed 47 yards from the bridge, followed by five other gliders carrying D Company of the 2nd Battalion, the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry.

They had taken off from England at 23.00 on June 5, towed by RAF Halifax bombers, and were released from their tugs at 2,000 metres over Cabourg.

After crash-landing on taget, Major Howard's men knocked out the German pill box beside the canal bridge by throwing grenades through the gun slits.

His men charged over the bridge and cleared the enemy from the slit trenches along the eastern bank, and then sappers removed the demolition wiring from the bridge itself.

Within 10 minutes the two bridges had been captured intact in arguably the most perfect operation of D-Day itself. Just two men died and 14 were wounded.

A German light tank was put out of action after a counter-attack brought the enemy within 25 yards of the bridge, but the roar of aircraft overhead had by then signalled the drop of the 5th Parachute Brigade around Ranville. They with the rest of the 6th Airborne Division, were to hold the east flank of the Allied landings before the arrival of seaborne troops six hours late.

Mme Gondrée recalled yesterday that when the battle started she and her husband, Georges, who died 12 years ago, and their daughters Arlette and Georgette, settled prudently in the cellar, assuming an air raid was in progress.

But then a spade cut into the cellar through their ceiling, accompanied by an Anglo-Saxon monosyllable.

M Gondrée who, unknown to the Germans, understood English, cried out: *les Anglais*, and promptly dug up 98 bottles of champagne which he had buried in his garden in 1940.

Major Howard said: "I nominated the café as the medical aid post and a surprising number of men discovered themselves in urgent need of medical attention."

Mme Gondrée, who supplied valuable information to the French Resistance about the defences at the bridge which she had gleaned from German soldiers using her café, told me: "I thought at first our liberators were negroes because their faces had been blackened, and for days black was the colour of my face and clothes because we embraced a lot, you know."

The walls of her café, which has virtually been adopted by British Airborne veterans this week, are plastered with D-Day mementoes, while outside a plague announced, with Gallic licence, that its liberation took place a day earlier, *in the last* hour of June 5, 1944.

Major Howard, who relies on a walking stick since a road accident in England in November, 1944, crossed the bridge with an alacrity which stopped the traffic and said: "I intend to be here for the fiftieth anniversary, and when I've gone I'll probably haunt the place. After 40 years the adrenalin still pumps despite the familiarity of the surroundings."

One of the most vivid memories, which he never tires of telling the veterans who have gathered here, is believing that he had been blinded on landing.

"I couldn't see a thing, until I realized that in the landing my steel helmet had been rammed over my face by the roof of the glider", he said.



Major Howard beside the bridge at Bénouville which he and his men captured as D-Day began.

Archbishop recalls fight for France

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, recalled the struggle to defeat Hitler in France and Germany at a service in Portsmouth today – an effort in which he won the Military Cross. He was speaking at a service in the city's cathedral in commemoration of the 40th anniversary of D-Day. Not long after the landings his own tank rolled down the flats at Gosport to join the "return to France" with the Scots Guards.

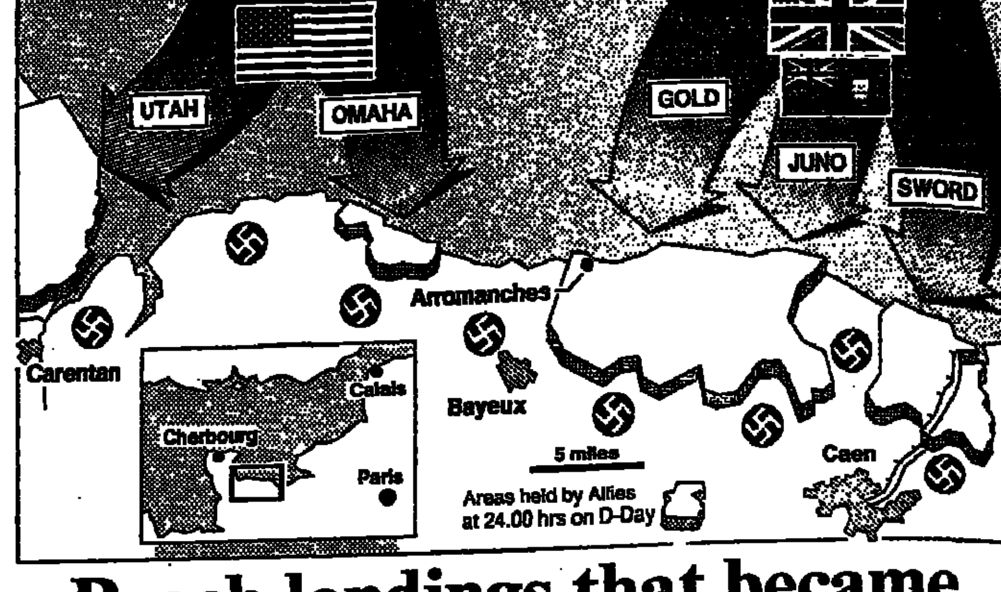
● Cross-Channel ferries were packed with thousands of British and American servicemen who yesterday took part in another "invasion" of the beaches.

● More than 280 wartime military vehicles assembled at Portsmouth before heading for the biggest rally of Second World War armoury since 1945 at Caen, Normandy.

● The principal beachmaster at Sword Beach, who was wounded in the assault on Normandy, and the present commanding officer of the US 82nd Airborne Division whose troops were among the first to land, will be the guests of General Sir Frank Kitson at a reception at Wilton House, Wiltshire, today to mark the beginning of D-Day anniversary celebrations. The house was the headquarters of the Army's Southern Command during the planning of the invasion.

● Flying fortress crews who carried out missions over occupied Europe during the Second World War flew into Britain for a weekend reunion and to dedicate a new memorial in the village churchyard at Conington near Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire. Two hundred members of the 457 bombardment group based at airfileds near by lost their lives in 1944 and 1945.

● War babies left in Britain by American GIs are forming an associaton to try to find fathers who did not come back after the D-Day invasion.



Beach landings that became 'greatest thing we attempted'

By Alan Hamilton

"My dear friend", Churchill wrote to Roosevelt in October 1943, "this is much the greatest thing we have ever attempted".

Ever since Dunkirk, the Allies had wished to regain a foothold in Europe.

How and where it should be done occupied three years of Angol-American argument. Churchill toyed with a landing in Portugal. Some commanders favoured a direct assault by the shortest Channel crossing on the Pas de Calais. What eventually happened on June 6, 1944, was the greatest amphibious operation in military history.

It was a battle won not by tactics or by firepower, but by logistics, the gathering together and the despatch of an immense quantity of men and machinery. As a battle, it was very nearly lost.

D-Day was to be June 5. D stood for Day; it was The Day, the start of Operation Overlord. Faced with bad weather, Eisenhower decided to hold back for 24 hours.

The vanguard was over the French coast minutes after midnight, pathfinders preparing the way for paratroopers, whose job was to guard the eastern and western flanks of the main seaborne force. The British 6th Airborne Division landed east of Caen, and by 2.30am had conferred on Ranville the distinction of being the first French village to be liberated.

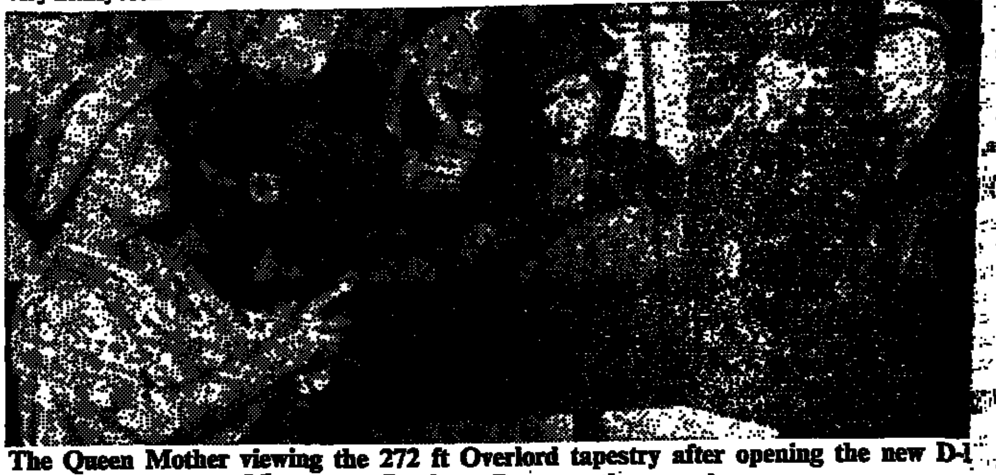
There were five codenamed invasion beaches. The Americans were to take Utah and Omaha in the west, the British and Canadians to take Gold, Juno and Sword in the east.

The Americans were first ashore at Utah. At 6.30am their first troops and Sherman tanks went ashore from their landing craft, against only token resistance.

Omaha was a near disaster with great loss of life. Touching land at 6.45am, the Americans found a 10-knot wind and 6ft seas, together with murderous German defence from shore battries.

At 7.25am the British force touched Sword beach, exactly on schedule. The British and Canadian landings went well but the operations of the following hours did not. Part of the day's work for the British was to capture the key towns of Bayeux and Caen; Bayeux was not taken until the following day, and Caen was reduced to smoking rubble before it yielded on July 9.

There were moments in the day when it looked, as it looked to another British commander 129 years earlier, like being a damned close-run thing.



The Queen Mother viewing the 272 ft Overlord tapestry after opening the new D-[illegible] Museum, at Southsea, Portsmouth, yesterday.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

Royal engagements

The Prince of Wales, patron, the Royal Opera, attends a performance of *L'Elisir d'amore* to mark Sir Geraint Evans' farewell, Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, 7.25.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Master of Trinity House, attends the Younger Brethren's Dinner at Trinity House, EC3.

Princess Margaret visits Derbyshire: Matlock, 11.15; Wirksworth, 11.50; Heanor, 2.10; Long Eaton, 3.30.

The Duchess of Kent opens an exhibition of work by members of the Bahrain Art Society, Leighton House, 12 Holland Park Road, W14, 11.30.

Princess Alexandra opens Maidstone Hospital in Kent, 2.30; attends a preview of *On Your Toes*, in aid of Help the Hospices, Palace Theatre, London, 7.45.

New exhibitions

Paintings by Sylvia Wishart, Compass Gallery, 178 West Regent Street, Glasgow; Mon to Sat 10.30 to 5.30, closed Sun; (until June 28).

Matisse: Illustrations to the "Amours" of Pierre de Ronsard, Atkinson Art Gallery, Lord Street, Southport; Mon to Fri 10 to 5, Thurs and Sat 10 to 1, closed Sun; (from today until June 23).

Harvey's History of Wine Collection, Warwickshire Museum, Market Place, Warwick; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2.30 to 5; (until July 29).

Pots by Owen Thorpe, Oriel 31, High Street, Welshpool; Mon to Sat 11 to 5, closed Sun; (until June 21).

Images of Grey Owl and Anahareo's Wilderness: paintings by Robert Richardson, Museum and Art Gallery, Cambridge Road, Hastings; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 3 to 5; (until June 17).

Artists in Industry, Museum and Art Gallery, Le Mans Crescent, Bolton; Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 5, closed Wed and Sun; (until June 30).

Work by Sylvia Dillon-Gibbons, Gillian Lawson and Judy Massingham, Halesworth Gallery, Steeple End, Halesworth, Suffolk; Mon to Sat 11-5, Sun 3-6; (until June 15).

Travelling and Campaigning Furniture 1790-1850, Manor House, Hitchin, Herts; Mon to Sat 9 to 1 and 2 to 5.30, closed Sun; (until June 30).

Textiles by leading British artists, lustreware by Tobias Harrison, silver by Alexander Coppen and creative textiles by Avon schoolchildren, St James's Gallery, Margarets Buildings, Brock Street, Bath; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 11 to 5; (until June 16).

Music

Organ recital by Robert Andrews, St Bartholomew's Church, Armley, Leeds, 8.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,447

ACROSS

1 Anticipation of rest, maybe, with fresh tea (9).
6 Tossed by King Charles outside Lincoln? Surely not (5).
9 Decision to break up (7).
10 Wildly excited, it can follow father (7).
11 Compose poetry about student supporter (5).
12 We take steps to make this work (9).
14 Run out of metal? Yes, but there's a tiny bit left (3).
15 Not finally moderate, but betraying disloyalty (11).
17 Swindler is eccentric and comparatively quick-witted (4-7).
19 An abstainer swallows nothing so intoxicating (3).
20 Sail made by cotton-worker to accommodate a king (9).
22 Ben —good man to collect wood (5).
24 Feeler put out by a worker (7).
26 Feature of certain buildings in Dover and Ashford (7).
27 Source of illumination for Talbot House? About right (5).
28 Decoration to pawn in America? What a bloomer (9).

DOWN

1 Establishes classes in favour of writing (5).
2 eg Empress Elizabeth, having beheaded Frederick the Great? (7).
3 Got all set, perhaps, for the collection of taxes (4-5).
4 He may be highly regarded as a repair man (11).
5 Little creature the Spanish initially found (3).
6 Attractiveness of an amulet (5).
7 City raised objection to mobile ablution station (4-3).
8 Coming around again about payment for the dog (9).
13 Unfavourable opinion disturbs old para VIPs (11).
14 In church, ship-worker going on and on! (9).
16 To the Arctic, for instance, and not on the railway (9).
18 The list includes one revel (7).
19 No river rises completely in Ontario (7).
21 Position of the final Muse in Beethoven's Choral Symphony (5).
23 This is on record to show past achievements (5).
25 Incombustible, presumably, this wood? (3).

The Solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No. 16,446 will appear next Saturday

CONCISE CROSSWORD PAGE 12

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Co-operative Development Agency and Industrial Development Bill, remaining stages.
Lords (2.30): Police and Criminal Evidence Bill, second reading.

Anniversaries

George III, reigned 1760-1820, was born at Norfolk House, London, 1738.
Deaths: William H. R. Rivers, psychologist and anthropologist, Cambridge, 1922; F. R. Spofforth, Australian cricketer (the "demon bowler") Ditton Hill Lodge, Surrey, 1926; William II, German Emperor 1888-1918, Doorn Netherlands, 1941.

National Day

The Kingdom of Tonga in the south-west Pacific today celebrates the 14th anniversary of its independence from Britain.

Bond winners

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond prizes are: £100,000: 17TL 069773 (winner lives in Shropshire); £50,000: 8YN 254849 (Preston); £25,000: 9WL 913391 (East Sussex).

Nature notes

Black redstarts have returned to the inner cities: in London, one is singing on Mount Pleasant, just behind *The Times* building. Young blue tits are calling from their nests deep inside lamp-posts. Rooks have already fledged, and young and old fly in circles, cawing, high above the rookery. Lapwing chicks turn up their tails and bury their beaks in the grass when their parents fly overhead, giving the alarm: the young birds are richly mottled to match their surroundings, but when they run their white collars are conspicuous.

Many June flowers are already abundant. Poppies and ox-eyed daisies are thick in the grass. Yellow pimpernel is flowering in damp, shady places. In the cow parsley family, or umbellifers, pignut is out: it is distinguished by its sparse, spiky leaflets just under the white flowerhead. Yellow rocket grows in big clumps on the banks of rivers. The first cat's-ears are opening – solitary dandelion-like heads on a long bare stalk.

Red deer calves call plaintively for their mothers while they are still dark-furred and wet, lying at the foot of a tree. But they will soon be running in their dappled coats with the hinds.

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Roads

Midlands and East Anglia: M1: Lane closures at Junction 22 (A50) in Leicestershire. Also between junctions 24 (East Midlands airport) and 25 (A52, Nottingham), and between junctions 25 (A52, Nottingham) and 26 (A610, Nottingham).

Wales and West: A40: Temporary lights on Carmarthen to St Clears road between Bancyfelin and St Clears. A55:

North: A19: Lane closures between Borrowby and S of Thirsk. A63: Roadworks at Elishaw, 8 miles NE of Bellingham.

Scotland: A84: Single lane traffic at various locations betwen Stirling and Lockearnhead. Glasgow: Single lane ly on Dumbarton Road between Church Street and Benalder Street until June 6.

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	1.61	1.53
Austria Sch	27.80	26.20
Belgium Fr	80.50	76.50
Canada $	1.85	1.78
Denmark Kr	14.40	13.70
Finland Mkk	8.37	7.92
France Fr	12.03	11.43
Germany DM	3.90	3.71
Greece Dr	159.00	149.00
Hongkong $	11.25	10.65
Italy Lira	2400.00	2300.00
Japan Yen	336.00	320.00
Netherlands Gld	4.42	4.20
Norway Kr	11.18	10.63
Portugal Esc	199.50	189.50
Spain Pta	215.00	204.00
Sweden Kr	11.70	11.10
Switzerland Fr	3.24	3.07
USA $	1.44	1.39
Yugoslavia Dnr	188.00	176.00

Retail Price Index: 349.7.
London: The *FT* Index closed up 27.6 on Friday at 824.5.
New York: The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 19.5 on Friday at 1124.35.

Pollen forecast

When the count is announced as high, hay fever sufferers are advised to: 1. take preventative medication in the morning if prescribed by their GP; 2. Stay away from grassy areas; 3. Holiday by the sea; 4. Avoid walks in the evening when the pollen descends; 5. Keep windows closed when travelling; 6. Close windows when neighbours mow the grass; 7. Seek advice from their GP regarding suitable medication.

	Pollen count	Peak times
Aberdeen	–	–
Basildon	med	3 to 6 pm*
Bath	low	–
Belfast	–	–
Bradford	low	–
Brighton	low	noon to 3 pm
Carlisle	–	–
Darlington	low	–
Dudley	low	9 am to noon
Edinburgh	–	–
Exeter	low	3 to 6 pm*
Glasgow	low	–
Hull	low	–
Leeds	low	9 am to noon
Lincoln	low	–
London	med	3 to 6 pm*
Maidstone	med	3 to 6 pm*
Norwich	med	3 to 6 pm*
Preston	low	–
Reading	–	–
Rotherham	low	9 am to noon
Runcorn	low	–
Salford	low	–
Southampton	med	noon to 3 pm*
Swansea	low	–
Tewkesbury	low	9 am to noon
Warwick	low	9 am to noon

* except during rain
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The papers

With this week's economic summit in London on their minds, the leader writers for many of the Sunday papers turned their attention to money matters. The Sunday Telegraph was probably the most optimistic, arguing that the past fortnight may have been "an unnerving time for all those around the world who invest their own or others' savings on the stock markets", but that was "no cause to panic". Above all, there was "no comparison with the conditions that prevailed in 1974, when the stock market collapsed to pre-war levels".

The Observer waxed cynical about the impending summit as just another "hugely expensive exercise in political ballyhoo" and invoked the spirit of D-Day, "the outstanding example of democratic military cooperation", to call for "a similar venture in the world of international economics", in particular a major restructuring of repayment schedules and a revision of the IMF's criteria for lending as an initiative on Third World debt.

Writing in the Sunday Express, Sir Geoffrey Howe reflected that after five years in senior Cabinet jobs he understood all too well the ancient Chinese curse: "May you live in interesting times". He was, however, confident that the Government's policies were "on course for recovery at home and abroad".

The New York Times said the summit is "an extraordinary opportunity to focus political minds on global economics, but all to often the opportunity is transplanted by national posturing and domestic politics". America's allies should stop complaining about US budget deficits and "offer to shoulder more of the cost of defence", the paper added.

Weather

An area of low pressure will be slow-moving W of N Ireland; another over N France will later move into S England.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S, SW England, East Anglia, E Midlands: Scattered showers, sunny intervals, rain later, wind S, light; max temp 15 or 16C (59 to 61F).

E, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee: Cloudy at times, perhaps a little drizzle, wind variable, light; max temp 12 to 15C (54 to 59F).

NW, central N England, Lake District, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll: Sunny intervals, isolated showers; wind S, light; max temp 14 to 16C (57 to 61F).

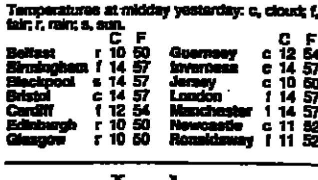
Channel Islands: Rather cloudy, outbreaks of rain; wind SE, moderate, becoming variable, light; max temp 14C (57F).

Wales, Isle of Man, Northern Ireland: Scattered showers, sunny intervals; wind mainly S, light; max temp 14 to 16C (57 to 61F).

Aberdeen, central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Cloudy, rain, heavy at times; wind SE, moderate; max temp 11 to 14C (52 to 57F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: Remaining unsettled, showers or longer perids of rain heavy with sunny intervals; remaining rather cool.

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea: Wind variable, mainly NE, light; sea smooth. Strait of Dover: Wind NE light, increasing moderate of fresh later; sea smooth, becoming moderate. English Channel (E): Wind NE, moderate, increasing fresh; sea slight, becoming moderate. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind variable, light; sea smooth.



Sun rises: 4.47 am
Sun sets: 9.12 pm
Moon sets: 1.03 am
Moon rises: 9.18 am
First quarter: June 6.

Lighting-up time

London 9.42 pm to 4.16 am
Bristol 9.51 pm to 4.26 am
Edinburgh 10.21 pm to 4.01 am
Manchester 10.01 pm to 4.13 am
Penzance 9.56 pm to 4.45 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	r	10	50	Guernsey	c	12	54
Birmingham	f	14	57	Inverness	c	14	57
Blackpool	s	14	57	Jersey	c	10	50
Bristol	c	14	57	London	f	14	57
Cardiff	f	12	54	Manchester	f	14	57
Edinburgh	r	10	50	Newcastle	c	11	52
Glasgow	r	10	50	Ronaldsway	f	11	52

London

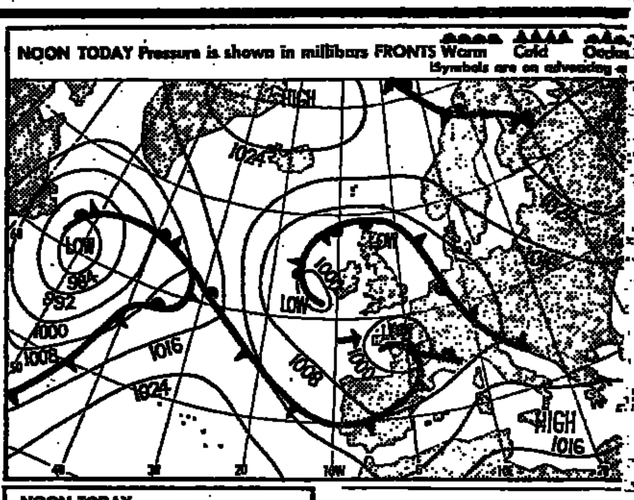
Yesterday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 15C (59F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 11C (52F). Humidity: 6 pm, 51 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, 0.23in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 6.1 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1003.8 millibars, rising.

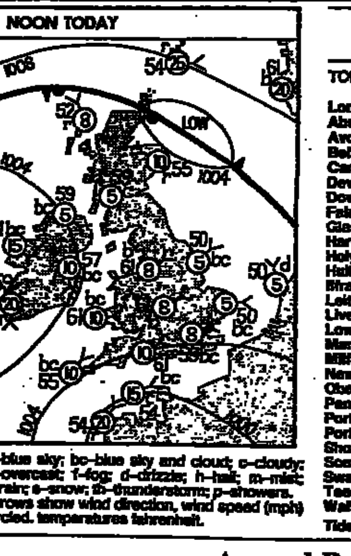
Saturday: Temp: max 6 am to 6 pm, 16C (61F); min 6 pm to 6 am, 9C (48F). Humidity: 6 pm, 42 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6 pm, a trace. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 10.3 hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 1008.3 millibars, falling.

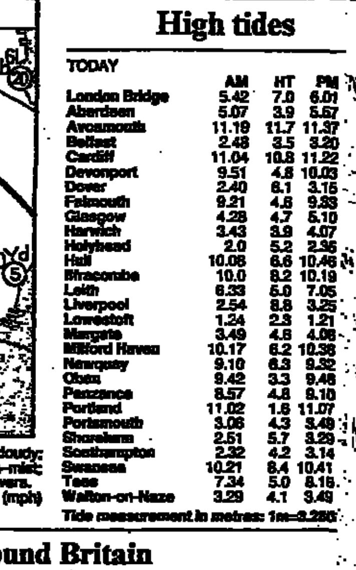
Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp: Comer 18C (64F); lowest day max: St Abbs Head 10C (50F); highest rainfall: Longkesh 0.81in; highest sunshine: Bournemouth 12.8hr.

Saturday: Highest day temp: Jersey 19C (66F); lowest day max: Fair Isle 10C (50F); highest rainfall: Isles of Scilly 0.73in; highest sunshine: Bognor Regis 13.3hr.







b–blue sky; bc–blue sky and cloud; c–cloudy; o–overcast; f–fog; d–drizzle; h–hail; m–mist; r–rain; s–snow; th–thunderstorm; p–showers. Arrows show wind direction, wind speed (mph) circled. temperatures fahrenheit.

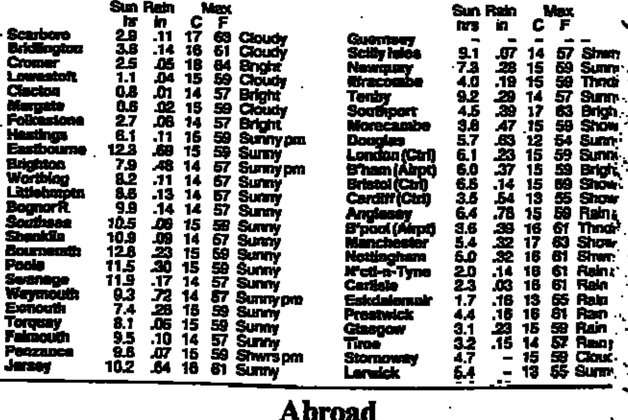
High tides

TODAY

	AM	HT	PM
London Bridge	5.42	7.0	6.01
Aberdeen	5.07	3.9	5.57
Avonmouth	11.19	11.7	11.37
Belfast	2.48	3.5	3.20
Cardiff	11.04	10.8	11.22
Devonport	9.51	4.8	10.03
Dover	2.40	6.1	3.15
Falmouth	9.21	4.6	9.33
Glasgow	4.28	4.7	5.10
Harwich	3.43	3.9	4.07
Holyhead	2.0	5.2	2.35
Hull	10.06	6.6	10.46
Ilfracombe	10.0	8.2	10.19
Leith	6.33	5.0	7.05
Liverpool	2.54	8.8	3.25
Lowestoft	1.24	2.3	1.21
Margate	3.49	4.6	4.06
Milford Haven	10.17	6.2	10.38
Newquay	9.10	6.3	9.32
Oban	9.42	3.3	9.46
Penzance	8.57	4.8	9.10
Portland	11.02	1.6	11.07
Portsmouth	3.06	4.3	3.49
Shoreham	2.51	5.7	3.29
Southampton	2.32	4.2	3.14
Swansea	10.21	8.4	10.41
Tees	7.34	5.0	8.16
Walton-on-Naze	3.29	4.1	3.49

Tide measurement in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain



	Sun hr	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	2.9	.11	17	63	Cloudy
Bridlington	3.8	.14	16	61	Cloudy
Cromer	2.5	.05	18	64	Bright
Lowestoft	1.1	.04	15	59	Cloudy
Clacton	0.8	.01	14	57	Bright
Margate	0.6	.02	15	59	Cloudy
Folkestone	2.7	.06	14	57	Bright
Hastings	6.1	.11	15	59	Sunny pm
Eastbourne	12.3	.69	15	59	Sunny
Brighton	7.9	.48	14	57	Sunny pm
Worthing	8.2	.11	14	57	Sunny
Littlehmptn	8.6	.13	14	57	Sunny
Bognor R	9.9	.14	14	57	Sunny
Southsea	10.5	.08	15	59	Sunny
Shanklin	10.9	.09	14	57	Sunny
Bournemouth	12.8	.23	15	59	Sunny
Poole	11.5	.30	15	59	Sunny
Swanage	11.9	.17	14	57	Sunny
Weymouth	9.3	.72	14	57	Sunny pm
Exmouth	7.4	.28	15	59	Sunny
Torquay	8.1	.05	15	59	Sunny
Falmouth	9.5	.10	14	57	Sunny
Penzance	9.8	.07	15	59	Shwrs pm
Jersey	10.2	.64	16	61	Sunny

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Guernsey	–	–	–	–	–
Scilly Isles	9.1	.07	14	57	Shwr
Newquay	7.3	.28	15	59	Sunn
Ilfracombe	4.0	.19	15	59	Thndr
Tenby	9.2	.29	14	57	Sunn
Southport	4.5	.39	17	63	Brigh
Morecambe	3.6	.47	15	59	Show
Douglas	5.7	.63	12	54	Sunn
London (Ctrl)	6.1	.23	15	59	Sunn
B'ham (Airpt)	6.0	.37	15	59	Brigh
Bristol (Ctrl)	6.5	.14	15	59	Show
Cardiff (Ctrl)	3.5	.54	13	55	Show
Anglesey	6.4	.78	15	59	Rain
B'pool (Airpt)	3.6	.39	16	61	Thndr
Manchester	5.4	.32	17	63	Show
Nottingham	5.0	.32	16	61	Shwr
N'ctl-n-Tyne	2.0	.14	16	61	Rain
Carlisle	2.3	.03	16	61	Rain
Eskdalemuir	1.7	.16	13	55	Rain
Prestwick	4.4	.16	16	61	Rain
Glasgow	3.1	.23	15	59	Rain
Tiree	3.2	.15	14	57	Rain
Stornoway	4.7	–	15	59	Cloud
Lerwick	6.4	–	13	55	Sunn

Abroad

c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	c	19	66	Copenhgn	c	19	66
Akrotiri	s	26	79	Corfu	s	26	79
Alexandria				Dallas			
Algiers	f	20	68	Dublin	c	12	54
Amsterdam	r	17	63	Dubrovnik	s	24	75
Athens	f	27	81	Faro	c	18	64
Bahrain				Florence	s	24	75
Barbados				Frankfurt	f	26	79
Barcelona	f	20	68	Funchal	f	21	70
Beirut	f	25	79	Geneva	r	14	57
Belgrade	s	26	79	Gibraltar	f	19	66
Berlin	s	25	77	Helsinki	s	20	68
Bermuda				Hongkong	f	29	84
Biarritz	f	15	59	Innsbruck	f	23	73
Boulogne	c	13	55	Istanbul	f	22	72
Bordeaux	c	12	54	Jeddah	s	37	99
Brussels	r	13	55	Jo'burg	s	16	61
Budapest	f	26	79	Karachi	f	32	90
Buen Aires*				Las Palmas	s	22	72
Cairo				Lisbon	r	13	55
Cape Tn	f	17	63	Locarno	r	14	57
C'blanca				L Angeles			
Chicago				Luxembg	c	14	57
Cologne	c	23	73	Madrid	f	12	54

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Majorca	f	20	68	Rio de Jan			
Malaga	s	20	68	Rome	s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Malta	f	25	77	Salzburg	c	[illegible]	[illegible]
Melbourne	f	17	63	Sao Paulo			
Mexico C				S Francisco			
Miami*				Santiago			
Milan	r	17	63	Seoul	s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montreal				Singapore	f	[illegible]	[illegible]
Moscow	s	22	72	Stockholm	c	[illegible]	[illegible]
Munich	s	27	81	Strasbourg	c	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nairobi	f	24	75	Sydney	s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Naples	s	26	79	Tangier	f	[illegible]	[illegible]
New Delhi	s	41	106	Tel Aviv	f	[illegible]	[illegible]
New York				Tenerife	s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nice	r	16	61	Tokyo	s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Oslo	s	18	64	Toronto			
Ottawa				Tunis	r	[illegible]	[illegible]
Paris	c	14	57	Valencia	f	[illegible]	[illegible]
Peking	f	27	81	Vancouver			
Perth	s	24	75	Venice	s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Prague	r	25	77	Vienna	s	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reykjavik	c	10	50	Warsaw	f	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rhodes	s	26	79	Washington			
Riyadh	s	40	104	Zurich	f	[illegible]	[illegible]

